

Shirley Baptist Church

every day church for everywhere people

Shirley Baptist Church, Southampton, Registered Charity Number 1131764

We welcome you to worship!

We hope you will feel at home with us.

Sunday 26 February

10.30am **Morning Worship** and Young Church

Leader & Preacher: Pastor Shaun Sweeney

A People Pleasing to God

The Church In Philadelphia: Revelation 3:7-13



Childsplay Romania Soup & Sweet Lunch

will be held after Morning Worship

Our Young Church is called **Fire!** There are groups for babies to teenagers! Visiting children are welcome to join, a welcomer will show you the way!

Flickers Crèche (birth to 2 yrs) meets in the Church Lounge.

Sparklers (ages 3-6yrs) meet in the Carey Hall.

Rockets (ages 7-11yrs) meet in the Spurgeon Hall.

Children should be dropped off & collected by a parent.

Flame (School Yrs 7-11) meets in the Keeble Centre.

The balcony is available for those with compromised immune systems.

Children are not permitted in the balcony and everyone using it should wear a face covering.

Our service will be live streamed and available to watch on demand via YouTube. If you do not wish to be seen, please sit at the rear on the left hand side. If you have any concerns regarding the live stream, please speak to Pastor Shaun or a member of the Leadership Team.

God Loves A Cheerful Giver!

We do not take up a collection during our services - there are offering boxes at the end of each aisle. Envelopes are available for one-off donations which are eligible for Gift Aid. If you wish to give regularly, please see Anne or Dave Richards.

Members of the Prayer Team are available after our services.

If you would like someone to pray with you, simply come to the front before you leave.



Sunday 5 March

10.30am **Morning Worship with Communion**

Young Church will be in the halls for the whole service.

Leader: Kevin Ings

Preacher: Pastor Shaun Sweeney

A People Pleasing to God

The Church In Laodicea: Revelation 3:14-22



A more traditional style of service

followed by afternoon tea.

Good News! Praise @ 4 Services will be held on the first Sunday of April, May and June.

Communion at SBC: As part of our commitment to be a Church for Everyone, gluten free bread will be available & our wine is non-alcoholic. Please collect your elements on your way in.

The Barnabas Fund is a Confidential Fund to make small gifts to those in need as a sign of our Christian Love. Envelopes will be available in the pews if you would like to donate to this fund.

Guidance on Illness

As much as we love to see you here with us, if you have a cough, cold, high temperature or feel unwell you should stay at home and avoid contact with other people.

Pastoral Work

Sheila coordinates our Pastoral Work, please keep her informed of pastoral needs or concerns. ☎ 023 8042 8283

If you have urgent pastoral concerns, please contact Pastor Shaun Sweeney. Please contact the office with updates & thanksgiving news.

Notices

Southampton General Hospital Chaplaincy need more Volunteers

Do you have a friendly and approachable manner? Are you willing and able to help patients come to services on Wednesdays? Or are you able to give up 1-2 hours of your time most Monday mornings, to ask patients if they'd like to come to the chapel services? Or on Fridays, to arrange flowers in the chapel? Are you willing to be trained and support the work of the hospital chaplains, complying with hospital policies?

If so, you may be interested in becoming a Chaplaincy Volunteer!

You will need an enhanced DBS check, references and an interview.

To get started, please email the Voluntary Services Department, volunteers@uhs.nhs.uk. For an informal chat, please phone Revd Sue Pitkin, Chaplaincy Volunteers Co-ordinator ☎ 023 8120 8517.

Prayer & Support for Others

Please keep the situation in Ukraine in your prayers, remembering both our twin church in Buzivka and the work of Hope Now in Cherkassy.

Prayer Opportunities



World Day of Prayer - Friday 3 March

Hosted by St James Road Methodist Church

The Service starts at **4.30pm** followed by refreshments.

"I have heard about your Faith" with a focus on Taiwan.



Citywide Prayer Meeting 7.30pm Sunday 5 March

Hosted by **City Life Church** at **Townhill Park Community Centre**, Meggeson Avenue, SO18 2FH

Prayer Lunch Tuesday 7 March 12.30pm in The Link

Everyone is very welcome. Feel free to drop in for 10 minutes or an hour!

Caraway Monthly Prayer for Older People Wed 8 March 2-3pm on Zoom

An opportunity to pray for Older People and their Carers & Health Professionals.

For the joining link, please email Rev Eric Roberts: caraway@caraway.uk.com

Monthly Prayer Meeting via Zoom Wed 8 March at 7.30pm

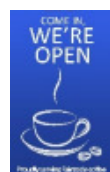
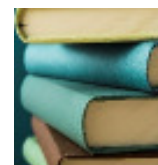
Please contact us for the joining link.

Events

Our new Book Stall is open on Wednesday Mornings.

Brenda is going to the bookshop to pay for all books sold this coming week, and to bring back a fresh supply, *on sale or return*.

Therefore, payment is needed for all books sold ASAP! You can either give the money to Brenda, Anne or the Church Office. Please clearly mark that it is for the bookstall. If there is anything that you would like Brenda to bring back, maybe for Easter or Lent, or a specific title, please email her.



The Link will be Open for Coffee and Cake 10am-12noon

On Wednesdays 22 February, 8 & 22 March

The Link is open as a **Warm Welcome Space 9.30am-1.30pm**

On Wednesdays 1, 15 & 29 March.

Warm Welcome Spaces will also be open in the following churches:

Mon, Tue & Fri 10am-4pm All Saints Church Centre, Winchester Rd SO16 7DL; **Wed** 11am-4pm Christ Church Freemantle, SO15 3BS;

Thu 9am-6pm St James Rd Methodist Church, SO15 5HE.

For a full list of all the venues please visit: www.warmwelcome.uk

Shirley Home of Bread Extra Presentation Date: **Mon 13 March 7.30pm**

Ken Amy's proposal is relating to a ground-breaking Christian Social Business Enterprise here in Shirley. Everyone is welcome. To join the meeting enter Zoom meeting id: 865 3950 6873 and passcode 333690.

Weekly Activities

Speckled Frogs Toddler Group

Tuesdays 10-11.30am Places should be booked *each week* ✉️ speckled.frogs@shirleybaptist.org

Bell Ringing Group

Mondays 6.30pm in The Link
Learn to play simple hymns, songs and carols on bell plates, which are light and easy to play. You do not need to be able to read music: you just need a willingness to learn. Led by Ruth Powell, an extremely patient and encouraging teacher.

Get Together for Chat & Craft
Thursdays 2pm in The Link

Friday Friendship Club

1.30pm in the Spurgeon Hall
Speakers, entertainment & friendship for older folk.

Monthly Activities

M & Ms Ladies Group

Wednesday 15 March

7.45pm in The Link

A friendly group of ladies who meet once a month for coffee, making friends and learning new crafts.

Future Dates: 19 April.

Board Games Evening

Saturday 18 March

6.30pm In the Spurgeon Hall

Get to know people & deepen relationships. Bring friends & your favourite game or choose from the selection the Insley Family have! For more information, please speak to Tim & Naomi or

✉️ insleys@hotmail.co.uk

Future Dates: 15 April, 20 May, 17 June, 15 July

Life Groups

We have a variety of groups, each characterised by a commitment to helping everyone grow as a follower of Christ in all aspects of their life for the whole of their life, including those who might still be exploring issues of faith. Newcomers are very welcome.

Sundays 6pm via Zoom.

Please see Clint for details.

Ken & Margaret A's Group meet on **Sundays** at **7.30pm** for Prayer & Chat and **Thursdays** at **7.30pm** for Bible Study both via Zoom.

Tuesday 28 Feb 2pm

Closed 7 & 14 March, Open 21 March

Keith H's Group meets in The Link.

Thursdays

10am David W's Group meets in The Link.

7.30pm John & Jill W's Group meets fortnightly in their home or online.

Link on Saturday next meets

18 March 3-5pm in The Link

A monthly group for families, couples, and individuals. See Clint for details.

For all other groups, please check with the Leaders for dates and type of meeting.

Contact Us

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Normal Opening Hours:

Mon: 10.00am-12.00pm

Tue: 1.00-3.00pm

Wed: 9.00-10.30am

Thu & Fri: 10.00am-12.00pm