

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 12 March

10.30am **Morning Worship** with Young Church

Leader: John Waldron

Preacher: Pastor Shaun Sweeney

A People Pleasing to God

The Church In Laodicea: Revelation 3:14-22



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.

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.



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.

Sunday 19 March

Mothering Sunday

10.30am **Worship for All Ages**

Led by Jill Waldron

Talk by Pastor Shaun Sweeney



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, who coordinates our Pastoral Work, will be away from Friday 10 March until Monday 13 March.

Please keep Sheila 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

Vacancy: Children & Families Worker for St James Road Methodist Church, Shirley
Part Time: 16 hours per week. This post currently has funding for 3 years.
We are looking for a Christian with enthusiasm, passion and vision to work with us in developing our work amongst children, young people and families.
Recent experience of working with children and/or families in a voluntary or paid capacity is essential. The successful applicant will work as part of a team with the Minister and volunteers at the Church. We would encourage visits to the church for an informal conversation with the Minister about the post. Please contact Rev Stephen Robinson at minister@stjamesroad.co.uk to arrange this.
For an application pack, please contact Christine Hughes, Circuit Administrator at christine.hughesmc@outlook.com. Further information about the Circuit and the church is available on our website: www.southamptoncircuit.org.uk
Closing date: Mon 27 March 2023 at 12:00 noon Interviews: Wed 5 April 2023

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

The next **Citywide Prayer Meeting** is expected to be on Sunday 2 April. The time and venue have not yet been published. Please visit the Southampton House of Prayer website for updates: <https://sohop.org/>

Prayer Lunch Tuesday 4 April 12.30pm in The Link

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

Monthly Prayer Meeting via Zoom Wed 12 April at 7.30pm

Please contact us for the joining link.

Pastoral

We are sorry to announce the death of John Petty. Please pray that his wife, Sylvia and the family will feel God's comfort & support.

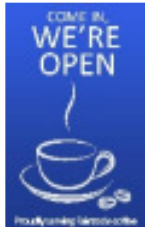
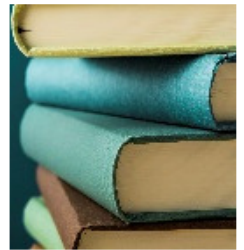
Jean Hellier's Funeral will take place at 1.45pm on **Tuesday 21 March** at Wessex Vale Crematorium, Bubb Lane, West End, SO30 2HL.

Please continue to remember Jean's niece, Linda & the family at this time.

Events

Our new Book Stall is open on Wednesday Mornings.

Items left on display are for sale, with prices on the front and back. Please clearly mark your payment and pass to Brenda Greenwood, Anne Richards or the Church Office as soon as possible. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



The Link will be open as a **Warm Welcome Space** **9.30am-1.30pm** on Wednesdays 15 & 29 March.

The Link will be **Open for Coffee and Cake** **10am-12noon** on Wednesdays 22 March, 5 & 19 April

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.

M & Ms Ladies Group Wednesday 15 March **7.45pm in The Link**

This month we will be making cosmos flowers out of florist papers.

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

Board Games Evening Saturday 18 March **6.30pm** In the Spurgeon Hall

Zumba Class Taster Session Tuesday 21 March **6.30pm** Spurgeon Hall

To book a place please ring Nicky ☎ 079 0311 5207

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.

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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 2pm
Closed 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