

Sundays in JULY 2019

10:30am to approx 11:45 Service with special activities for Children & young people in JAM (Jesus & Me).

Saturday 6th July A Jumble Sale 10:00am - 12:00noon
Raising Money for Malawi

7th July led by Doreen **All Age Service**

14th July led by Mathew Broadhurst HCC /Doreen **A special service**
Focused on Plastic Waste and recycling

21st July to be arranged

28th July led by Doreen

Tuesday Prayer Meeting at 09:30 unless otherwise noted

Open to all
Wednesday Craft Afternoon between 1.0pm and 3.0pm
Come & relax, play games, Don't be bored, join in,
Also Knitting, Art, Crocheting classes which are very popular } **FREE**

Girls Brigade Meeting @ 6.30pm **£1:50 per meeting**

Friday Priory Pilots (a boys club for 5 - 11 year olds)
6:00pm to 7:00pm

During school term time **£1:00 per meeting**

Please Note, Photographs may be taken during services for inclusion
In the church newsletter and website. If you don't want your photograph
Including, please see Len or Doreen.

If you would like to know more about the church or have any prayer requests please
Contact Doreen 07805 508 435 or Barbara 353 607
Email prayer@priorybaptist.co.uk

THE TORN CURTAIN

The church Worship Group now have a name 'The Torn Curtain'.
In the Old Testament and during the life time of Jesus, the Holy temple in Jerusalem was the centre of Jewish religious life. The temple was the place where animal sacrifices were carried out and worship according to the Law of Moses was faithfully followed. In the temple a curtain separated the Holy of Holies – the earthly dwelling place of God's presence – from the rest of the temple where men dwelt. This curtain signified that man was separated from God by sin. Only the high priest was permitted to pass beyond this veil once a year to enter into God's presence for all of Israel and make atonement for their sins.
This curtain would have been around 60ft high and made from blue, purple and scarlet materials and fine twisted linen. The size and thickness of the curtain makes the events that occurred at the moment of Jesus' death on the cross so much more momentous.

"And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, He gave up His spirit. At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom." Mathew 27:50 – 51a.

The tearing of the curtain at the moment of Jesus' death dramatically symbolises that His sacrifice, the shedding of His blood, was sufficient atonement for sin. It signifies that now the way into the Holy of Holies was open for all people, for all times. As Christians we need to pass this wonderful news onto others so that they too will know the Salvation that comes from the death of Jesus. Through our music we want to break down the wall [curtain] between the church and the community and in doing so pass on the message of The Torn Curtain to others..

Doreen

The Torn Curtain



At Jesus' death The Veil was supernaturally torn from the top down showing that the holiest was no longer separate from the rest of the temple, and that now anyone who desires could have access to God. Mathew 27:51

The inner of the temple proper was divided into two holy places. The part nearest the entrance was called the sanctuary or holy place. Here were kept a sacred lampstand, a table for ceremonial bread, and an altar for incense.

A second area was called the Holy of Holies or the Most Holy Place.

The inner room once contained a golden censer for incense and a mysterious box called the ark of the covenant containing souvenirs from the wilderness wanderings: the stone tablets, Aaron's rod which budded and a golden pot of manna.

Upon this ark was placed a mercy seat, a kind of altar, with sculptured winged cherubs of hammered gold at each end.

Only the high priest could venture into this holiest place, and that only once a year with the blood of animal sacrifice for atonement. This Most Holy Place was closed off by an enormous curtain.



Girls Brigade district event
spectacular - making slime

