



# Prime Times

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My grandmother led me to Christ and had me in the Baptist church every time the door was open. She almost had a fit when I married my high school sweetheart who was a Catholic. He was not just any Catholic, but he had spent a year in seminary to become a priest. That ended when he discovered girls. I converted and agreed to raise my children in the Catholic church. We were an active family with my boys attending parochial school for several years and my husband heading up the Catholic Youth Organization and I was the Social Vice President of the P.T.A. It was not surprising when both of my boys married Catholic girls and last week when I was staying in San Antonio they were discussing what they were giving up for lent. Last year the whole family gave up ice cream which made me curious about Lent. It really is about denying yourself and making sacrifices that make you think of Jesus and what he did for us.

**Matthew 4:1-2 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. And he fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterward he was hungry.**

Lent is a time that offers us an opportunity to come to terms with our sin and prepare ourselves by bringing our need for a Savior to the forefront. Lent is a time to open the doors of our hearts a little wider and understand our Lord a little deeper, so that when Good Friday and Easter come, it is not just another day at church, but an opportunity to receive the overflowing of the graces God has to offer. This 40 days is also an opportunity to contemplate what our Lord really did for us on the

Cross - and it wasn't pretty. But, Praise God, the purpose of Lent does not stop at sadness and despair - it points us to the hope of the Resurrection and the day when every tear will be dried (Rev. 21:3)

So now I know that giving up ice cream, fasting or any other sacrifice that we make reminds us of what God has done for us. It also is a testimony to others of our faith and love for our Heavenly Father. I am so glad that we have our passion play, **The Victor**, every year that brings to all attendees the awe of what Jesus endured for us on the cross. Let's invite many others to come and see this wonderful performance.

I have great news! God sent us an **Editor for the Primetime Newsletter!** Sherry Rhoten is fairly new to Kerrville and Trinity, but she brought her enthusiasm with her. She is a member of the Choir and The Pilgrims of Faith bible study class and she has a long marriage with a husband who supports her projects. She wrote her Thesis for her Master's Degree and he made it look beautiful. Maybe God sent us two editors! Thank you to **Janice Ross** and **Virginia Roberts** for all the time given to our Newsletter. If you have pictures or articles for the new Editor, her email address is: **sherry.rhoten@gmail.com**

**Trinity Baptist Church Kerrville**  
presents

*The VICTOR*

An Easter production

March 23, 24 & 25  
7:00pm

Experience the Power...  
Experience the Cross...  
Experience the Risen Christ!

## Women of the Word Class - Room 208

Jean Allgood

These past weeks were full: President Trump's State of the Union speech, a Blue Moon January 31st, Super Bowl with the Philadelphia Eagles beating the New England Patriots, Winter Olympics in South Korea, Valentine's Day. Hopefully all these events had positive results for you.

Now we are looking forward to March and spring with the redbud trees showing their beautiful blossoms, daffodils and crocus popping up and the arrival of hummingbirds. These wonderful things of God's creation give hope and beauty to our lives and the world around us. We lift our hearts and eyes to glorify Him for the signs of new life springing forth about us and the remembrance of new life in Him as we serve Him with gladness.

Due to a heart problem **Loraine Couch** needed a pacemaker. On January 30th this procedure was done and now her beautiful heart that was so full of giving to others is enhanced even more. We praise God for her speedy recovery and having her back doing what she loves most—helping others.

Those who know **Toni Carter** find her to be incredible. She remodels homes—yes with hammers, skill saws and other equipment. She is also an artist, painting crosses and bluebonnets to perfection. To do all this she needs her hands and lately that has been a problem as her right hand has gone numb. She has been on our prayer list for many weeks and still requests prayers so she can get back to work and be relieved of pain. Her faith is strong and remains hopeful she will be healed.

On February 11<sup>th</sup> the WOW class surprised and honored **Helen Puccini** for her 40 years of teaching Sunday School! The altar flowers were in her name and she will be treated to lunch at a restaurant of her choice. **A very special day for a very special lady!**

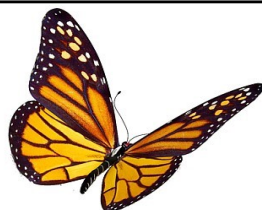
### No Greater Love

A few days ago thousands of red roses were purchased and oh so many boxes of chocolates were bought for many special ladies to show they were loved because it was Valentine's Day. Many of you live alone as I do, and have no one of significance to shower us with flowers or candy and to say sweetly that they love us. For a few minutes we may even feel a little sad about it. But then the vision of our children, grandchildren and memories of Valentines past flood our hearts with joy.

With the thoughts of all the love expressed on Valentine's Day, I had to think about the greatest love ever and its meaning. Of course I'm talking

about God's love for each of us. I couldn't help but be reminded of that beautiful scripture from Colossians 3:12, "Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourself with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience."

God's love is expressed to us not with flowers and candy but by His son Jesus who died for our sins so we can have a life eternal with Him. In Colossians we are told we are **chosen and dearly loved**. No Valentine message could be any more beautiful or meaningful than that. He calls us holy as He declares His love for us and then he gives us some instructions—have compassion, be kind, show humility, be gentle and have patience. As our lives enter into new seasons and new journeys, may our eyes be opened to the beauty of His love and the enhancement of our lives today as we are embraced by No Greater Love.



*Ask, and it shall be  
given to you.  
Matthew 7:7a*

### New Prime Times Editor

In last month's issue, we advertised for a new Editor to replace Janice Ross. We are pleased to announce **Sherry Rhoten** has stepped forward to take the reins as our new Editor. Sherry has recently moved to Kerrville. She is in the Pilgrims of Faith bible study on Sunday mornings and is a member of the choir. What a blessing it is to have her assume this role. What a blessing that she is willing to join in the activities of her new church family and give her service to the Prime Time Ministries and her Lord. You may send your reports and news items to her at [sherry.rhoten@gmail.com](mailto:sherry.rhoten@gmail.com).

Our thanks go to **Janice Ross** who stepped in for a couple of years and kept the newsletter going. We wish her well in her retirement and travels with her husband, Mark.



## Pilgrims of Faith - Room 121

Jo Alice Hancock

POF class members have been experiencing various illnesses as well as grief the past couple of months, presenting many opportunities to brighten someone's day with a card, phone call, text, email, flowers or food. How blessed we are to have Christian friends who care and who put that care into action!

We are blessed also by class members who share their knowledge in a beneficial way, and one such member is **Gina Stewart**. She teaches emergency preparedness classes to various groups, organizations and companies in Kerrville. Following are excerpts from her guest column in the local newspaper. Gina asks: "What if a natural disaster, house fire or any other type of emergency disrupted your life? Do you have the essentials for you and your family to make it through the event? Do you have a plan in place if the power, telephone, water, gasoline and food supply were cut off for an extended period of time? Preparedness is the ability to take care of your own physical needs, as well as those you are responsible for and anyone else in need during a crisis. You will be the one helping others rather than asking others for help by properly preparing with stored food, water, first aid supplies and go-bags, just to mention the basics. You also need to have an inventory of your possessions and copies of important documents in a safe place." Next month's column will include a more detailed list of emergency supplies needed in case of flooding or wildfires, which are the two key disasters in the hill country. Such a list will be helpful to Kerrville's old timers and newcomers alike as we approach spring... newcomers like **Sue & Tommy Owens** who share the following bio written by Sue:

I was born and raised in Stephenville, Texas and lived there until our move to Kerrville in January 2017. My mother took my sister and me to the Methodist church faithfully when we were growing up. My faith journey, however, was rather misguided. I was confirmed into the Methodist church as a child, but did not accept Christ as my Savior until age 24.

Tommy and I were high school sweethearts and will celebrate our 37<sup>th</sup> anniversary in August. The Lord blessed us with two beautiful children. I was fortunate to be able to stay home with our children when they were young while Tommy ran a family business. My volunteer work at church led me to serve as the Youth Director for a couple of years and then as Christian Education Director for an additional two years before fulfilling a re-

warding career at Tarleton State University where I served in a capacity of roles in the Educator Preparation Services department.

Our daughter **Melissa** and her family live in Kerrville. She and her husband own Mattress World of Kerrville and they have blessed us with two beautiful granddaughters, ages 6 and 3. Our son, **Jason**, and his family live in Lubbock where he is the Young Adult Pastor at Lakeridge United Methodist Church. Our daughter-in-law, **Erin**, is the Director of Discipleship at the Texas Tech Wesley Foundation. They have blessed us with a beautiful granddaughter as well who is 3 years old and they are expecting another child in July 2018.

God led Tommy and me to a wonderful Baptist church in Stephenville 15 years ago where we actively served before moving to Kerrville. Our move to Kerrville was prompted following the death of our parents and the desire to get closer to our children and grandchildren. We took a leap of faith and moved to Kerrville in January 2017. We are so thankful for God's faithfulness in providing for us! Tommy is working at Mattress World of Kerrville and I serve as the Secretary at St. Paul's United Methodist Church here in Kerrville.

I love to serve and share my gifts through the church and am so thankful God has led us to Trinity. We love our new church family and look forward to helping the church fulfill its mission and ministry in our community and beyond! We are members of the Pilgrims of Faith class and co-teachers in the 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade class. Thank you, Trinity Baptist, for giving us such a warm welcome!





## Agape Class - Room 223

Susan Lesser

Winter is fading away and spring is creeping in slowly. I'm ready for sunshine and warmer weather!

The Valentine Banquet was a big success! Thank you, **Judy Brooksher, Marci Newby**, and everyone else who contributed, from cooks, to setup, to cleanup. The Agape Class and all the rest of the church sure appreciate all your efforts to please. Weren't those desserts (homemade, hand-made) just delicious to the eye and the palate?

We have folks who are ailing, but never complain. **Scott & Libby Tolman** have sold their winter home. Scott was out in California to work with his aunt, when he came down with a bad case of the flu. We're looking forward to seeing these fine folks once the weather (and health) improves. **Howard & Anne Hagar** have been away for several months now. Please keep these dear people in your prayers as Howard has dementia.

We're nearing the end of our study of John. **Ken Brown** has been doing a fine job of leading our intrepid class in a verse by verse study. However, it is with regret that he has announced his retirement at the end of John. It is with extreme regret that we have accepted his resignation. JD is looking for an adventurous person to take over this class of active seniors; someone with imagination, someone who appreciates questions (and the occasional rabbit chase), someone who... Well, if you fit this profile, please speak to JD.

Happy Spring soon!

**Men's Bible Study**  
**February 8 - April 26**  
**Thursdays 10 a.m. - Noon**  
**In the Chapel**  
**Bill Parr will teach**  
**Galatians & Ephesians**



**Don't even  
think about  
not coming!**

## Something Good

Wouldn't this old world be better,  
If the folks we meet would say,  
"I know something good about you,"  
And then treat us just that way?  
Wouldn't life be lots more happy,  
If we praised the good we see?  
For there's such a lot of goodness  
In the worst of you and me.  
Wouldn't it be nice to practice  
That fine way of thinking too?  
You know something good about me!  
"I know something good about you."

## Hello everyone from the Library Ladies!



Spring is in the air, and we have all kinds of books and DVDs for you to browse. The new (or new to us) books are located next to the checkout desk. New DVDs are located on the wire rack in front of the teenage book section, next to all the rest

of the DVDs.

For Small Group Leaders and church staff, we have a large resource section, a whole room full of books on all subjects. Find a book you're interested in, and sit and read for a while. If you need it for a few weeks or a few months, dates can be extended.

We have a nice collection of biographies. These are located in the second room (in the very nice bookcase on loan from the pastor). From fun ("Don't Shoot, It's Only Me, Bob Hope") to serious ("Living Beyond the Limits" by Billy Graham) to lighthearted ("Every Living Thing" by James Herriott), we have a book for you.

Did you know we have a back room? It's been rearranged for easier access. Kits are easily seen and browsed. Want to see what your teenagers are watching? We have a whole section of DVDs **Travis Garcia** donated, that are free to whomever wants to take them. Next are the photo albums of the Prime Timers, from dinners to work projects to Prime Time Singer Tours. We also have a selection of Texas history, and TBC history. Want to know what your teacher looked like 20 years ago? We have the photo directories!

We'd love to see you in YOUR church library!

## Jubilee Class - Chapel

Rae Logan

This flu season has brought back an old memory. When I was in the first grade, my grandmother and her friends were gathered around the quilting frame in my grandmother's living room. They were talking about the flu epidemic. I knew it was something bad, just from the concern in their voices. Another memory I have from about this same time was overhearing my grandfather and his neighbor in the backyard. I could not hear what they said, but just like the ladies, by the concern in their voices, I knew something bad had happened. Later I realized that it was the bombing of Pearl Harbor.

We lived on a farm, but my grandparents lived in town. I can remember being at their house when they had a blackout. My grandmother was very particular about following the blackout instructions. She had lots of quilts and we put them up over all the windows. As the war progressed, some of our young men went off to war. Our small town of Turkey put up a big billboard with the names of "our" soldiers. If a soldier was lost in action, they put up a gold star by his name. One of the young men from our church was a pilot and was lost "over the hump" (the Himalayan Mountains). I always thought that was the saddest thing for his parents. Those planes could never be found.

No one in the class has reported having the flu. That is not to say that there hasn't been other illnesses reported. **Eva Euler, JoAnn Silberisen,** and **LaVonda Foreman** have had bad cases of the cedar fever. **Gene Ayers** and **Janice Smith** are both taking radiation treatments. It was great to see **Durwin Hill** at Prime Time Choir on Friday. **Betty McCarter** has not been up to par, but it was good to see her at the church Valentine Dinner. **Doyle Hoge** spent some time at Hilltop NH, but is back home now.

Speaking of the Valentine Dinner, it was very well attended. That was followed up by the Prime Time Dinner. It too had a nice crowd. This was followed on Saturday afternoon by the deacons honoring the widows from our church. I don't think anyone has gone away from any of these occasions hungry. Thank you, deacons, for a great meal and to the staff for the evening's entertainment. You did a great job.

Following is **Stan & Linda Cullison's** story as written by Linda. Thank you Linda.

Stan was born in Sperry, Oklahoma and I was born in Durant, Oklahoma. Both our families moved to Texas and Stan and I first met when we

were in high school in Odessa, Texas. We married in 1956. Stan went to work for Phillips Petroleum and was transferred to Hobbs, New Mexico where we lived for one year. We were then transferred back to Odessa and after five years with Phillips, we decided that Stan would quit his job (everyone thought we were crazy to quit a job with an oil company) to pack up and move to Austin so he could get an accounting degree from the University of Texas.

While in Austin, I worked as secretary to the University of Texas Longhorn Band. After Stan received his accounting degree, we moved to Houston where he had been offered a job with Butler, Miller, and Lents. Stan continued to study and received his CPA certificate. I worked for Mary Kay Cosmetics for several years, then went to work for Brown & Root Engineering and Construction. We lived in Houston for 38 years.

My parents moved to Kerrville in 1993 and my sister, **Bonnie** and brother-in-law moved here after mom and dad. Stan and I had visited Kerrville for many years before my family moved here, so we knew we loved the hill country and would most likely retire here. Before I retired, I would come to visit and go on some of the Prime Time Choir trips with mother and Bonnie. We finally moved here in 2001 and joined Trinity right away and joined the Jubilee Class where my parents and sister were members. We have one daughter, one son, one granddaughter, two grandsons and one great granddaughter. We love Kerrville and the Jubilee Class.

## Pearls of Wisdom

You'll find the key to success under the alarm clock.

Benjamin Franklin

The church is a gift from God...assembly is required.

Happiness is like jam. You can't spread even a little without getting a little on yourself.





Your Prime Time Singers have been busy this month with preparations for our Spring Tour 2018 to The Woodlands! We currently have over 50 Singers and Friends who will make the trip on April 26 – May 1. I hope you all will pray for us as we minister in that area both at churches and at nursing homes in the greater Houston area.

Some folks have asked about joining the Prime Time Singers...while new singers are always welcome this may not be the best time to take "the plunge." We are in the final weeks of memorization for the upcoming trip and we have several singing engagements coming up this spring. It would be a great time to "come and see" but when we begin next fall may be the better time to become a member of this group. Notices will be posted in the Messenger, the Prime Times Newsletter and in the Sunday Bulletin. We typically begin rehearsals on the Friday following Labor Day.

Did you know that **Lew King** is our accompanist for the Prime Time Singers. He is the latest in a long line of very fine accompanists. Lew also writes and arranges music and we are currently singing two of his arrangements for choir. Thank you Lew for making us sound so good!

### The Children of Israel

After the Sunday Bible Study was over, the teacher asked for questions.

"I've got one," said little Adam. "According to the Bible, the children of Israel crossed the Red Sea, right?" "That's right," said the teacher.

"And the children of Israel defeated the Philistines and the Egyptians, they built the Temple, and they were always doing something important, right?"

"All of that is correct," agreed the teacher. "So what's the question?"

"Well," demanded Adam, "if the children of Israel did all of that, what were the grown ups doing?"

**Healthful Hints**  
Ann Peay

If you're planning on setting up an indoor garden,

I suggest including medicinal herbs in it. Growing these herbs in your indoor garden would be both useful and satisfying! It could save you a trip to the doctor for minor illnesses like rashes or coughs. You can make tea or tinctures among other uses.

**1. Thyme:** Thymol, an active component of thyme, is responsible for the antiseptic and aromatic properties of the medicinal herb. Its antiseptic property can help relieve someone suffering from congestion, cough, indigestion, or gas. The next time you have minor coughing, consider drinking some thyme tea!

**2. Rosemary:** Rosemary is an aromatic medicinal herb from the mint family. It can help improve your mood. It also helps sweeten your breath. When you're having trouble concentrating, drink a cup of rosemary tea to boost memory and concentration.

**3. Sage:** Just like rosemary, sage is from the mint family and can be used for a number of home remedies for some minor illnesses such as dyspepsia, and indigestion. Additionally, sage could also give a soothing relief for throat and mouth inflammation.



### Opportunities for Singing Prime Time Singers

Friday Mornings - 10:00 a.m.  
Chapel

**Ruth Spradling's group**  
Alpine Village - 10:00 a.m.  
Second Wednesday of each month

**Billie Cavitt's group**  
Brookdale - 10:00 a.m.  
Third Tuesday of each month

**Pilgrims of Faith group**  
Hilltop Nursing Home - 10:00 a.m.  
Fourth Thursday of each month







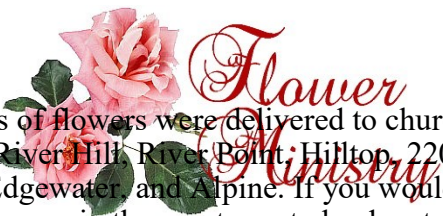
## Stitchers for Jesus

Hello from Larry and Carol in the Dominican Republic: I am sending you a picture of a sweet little girl who was wearing one of your pillowcase dresses she received last year. She did not know we were coming to eat supper at her house, so she was just wearing one of her favorite nice dresses. Please pray for the sewing ladies here at the church in the Dominican. The lady who leads the group has a serious

illness. - Larry & Carol

The Prime Time sewing group, Stitchers for Jesus, has been busy on a special project. They were made aware of a need for dresses for school aged girls in Rwanda, East Africa, where a local Kerrville couple travels to do mission work. These children live in primitive conditions and some are orphans. The sewing group started in November and on February 1, the ladies were excited to report that **106** dresses were sent to the girls in Rwanda!!

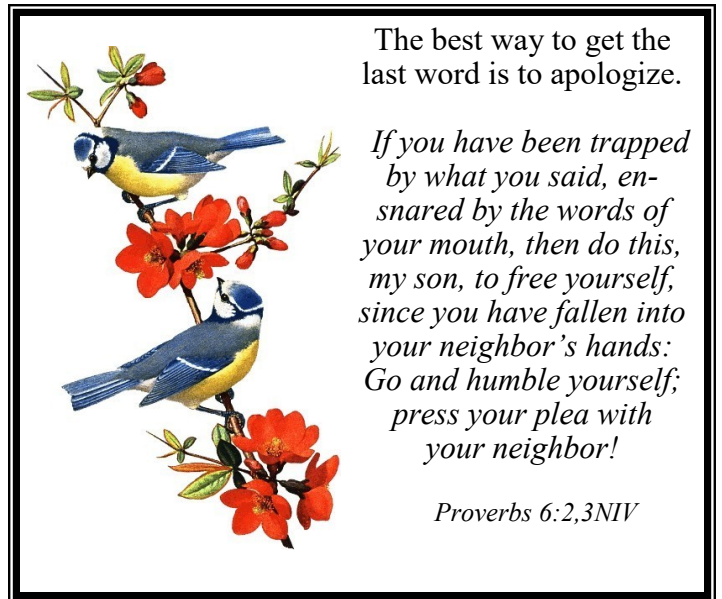
The Stitchers for Jesus sew year around and donate to missionaries, children homes, etc. More sewers are always needed and welcome to participate. They also need donations of 100% cotton fabric in 2 yard lengths. Prints and colors should be suitable for girls dresses and boys shirts. If you would like to know more about this group, contact **Marvene Wallace** or **Sue Stewart**.



36 vases of flowers were delivered to church members at River Hill, River Point, Hilltop, 220 Harper Road, Edgewater, and Alpine. If you would like to place flowers in the sanctuary to be donated to the PT Flower Ministry, call **Carrie Overby** in the church office. There is a need for volunteers to deliver the flowers. Meet with our new Flower Ministry leader, **Jean Ward**, at 1:00 p.m. in room 121 on Mondays. For more information, you can contact Jean at [jeanward1881@gmail.com](mailto:jeanward1881@gmail.com).

## Poor Leroy

Leroy had fallen on hard times. He lost his job at the fertilizer plant, his unemployment had run out,



The best way to get the last word is to apologize.

*If you have been trapped by what you said, ensnared by the words of your mouth, then do this, my son, to free yourself, since you have fallen into your neighbor's hands: Go and humble yourself; press your plea with your neighbor!*

*Proverbs 6:2,3NIV*

and he was evicted from his apartment. He made a little sign that read "Will work for food" and set off down the road on foot.

He came to a farmhouse and knocked on the front door. A woman answered, and Leroy explained his situation, and how he could do most anything and how hungry he was.

At first the woman wanted no part of Leroy, but he persisted. Finally she asked, "Can you paint?"

"Oh yes, ma'am," Leroy said, "I've done a lot of painting. Just let me show you." The woman relented, found a can of paint and a brush and said, "You go around back and paint the porch, and I'll fix you dinner." Happily, Leroy went to work.

About 40 minutes later, Leroy appeared at the front door. "Are you finished so soon?" asked the woman.

"Oh yes, ma'am," said Leroy, "but I think you ought to know that's not a Porsche, it's a Volvo."

**The church office *WILL* be open on Good Friday and closed Monday, April 2.**

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good work within  
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his work until it is  
finally finished  
on the day when  
Christ Jesus  
returns.

-Philippians 1:6 (NLT)



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