

In Our Prayers...

**Requester's name is in parentheses*

Timothy Collins (Debbie Sutherlin) — Timothy has applied to join the Air Force. Pray that a minor back issue does not disqualify him.

Jerry & Paula Harms — Jerry's retirement from City of Durango; he and Paula relocating to Montrose, CO.

Jeff Hopkins — Various tests ongoing in preparation for spine surgery.

Bereavement — Marge Himes family; Charlene Jones family; Jimmy Mooring family.

Health concerns- — Bill Himes; Paula Dahlke; Glenda Fields; Monica (local resident); Ruth Sutherlin; Connie Holley; Jeanie Mooring's sister, Kathy.

Door for the Word — Guidance for spreading the gospel in and around Durango this year.

Additions:

Finding one of her students making faces at others on the playground, Mrs. Smith stopped to gently reprove the child. Smiling sweetly, the Bible class teacher said, "Bobby, when I was a child, I was told that if I made ugly faces, it would freeze and I would stay like that." Bobby looked up into her face and replied, "Well, Mrs. Smith, you cant say you weren't warned!"

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Service Times

Bible Study

Sunday 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday 7p.m.

Worship

Sunday 10:20 a.m.



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News and Announcements

Hospitality Needed Nikki Bahler and her family visited here last July. She will be back in Durango by herself in April 14th—17th and needs a place to stay. If you can help, see Nathan Wheeler for more information.

Creation Concert at FLC April 13th and 14th the Performing Arts Department of Fort Lewis College is presenting classical concert music on the theme of creation. If you would like to attend as a group, let Nathan or Brandy know.

Singing Youth of Denver Mark your calendar for Sunday evening, April 21st. A Christian youth chorus from Denver will be with us to share a program of spiritual songs. More details to follow.

Website Update There is new content in the "Blog" section of the church website. Take a look! The website address is on the back of the bulletin. Click "Blog" at the top of the page.



Scripture Reading: Genesis 24:62-25:18

Signposts of the Creator

For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. ²⁰ For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made.

Romans 1:19-20

Have you been to the Durango Public Library? There are landscaped gardens there that wrap around the north end of the building. There are library-related themes, and many varieties of plants that can be seen there. I imagine that over the next several weeks, as spring arrives, those gardens will be amazing to see.

You don't have to be a botanist to appreciate what you are looking at in those gardens. Someone—or a team of people—has labeled everything with common names for the plants. Other features of the garden—such as a Native American shade structure—have plaques identifying what they are and who built them.

In contrast, the features and “furnishings” of the natural world have no signs, no authoritative explanations saying what they are or exactly how they were made. Many people have summited Engineer Mountain, but I feel confident that no one has found a plaque or book with the official natural history of that peak.

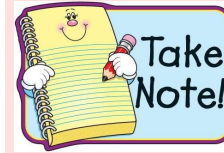
Still, the natural human disposition when seeing a large mountain, a sky full of stars, or the birth of a child, is to think of God. Consider two things that point to this.

Recent research in child psychology has documented that children naturally believe in God. They will think of God in a way that suggests they are born with that knowledge.

A second thing is how difficult it has been for modern science to separate itself from religion. Modern science began through the work of Christian scientists but was quickly dominated by others insisting on an atheistic approach. Recent trends are that scientists are rediscovering God to explain what they observe.

It seems that there are no labels on the things God has made. He has labeled our hearts instead.

— Nathan Wheeler



Sermon Notes

How to Obtain Saving Faith in Jesus

2 Peter 1:1, 2

1. Faith is a gift that is _____.
2. This gift means that God is _____ you.
3. This gift means the believer is _____ to respond.
4. This gift is received by _____.

Weekly Bible Reading Schedule

Arranged in Chronological Order

Mar 11	Mon	Deuteronomy 3-4
Mar 12	Tue	Deuteronomy 5-7
Mar 13	Wed	Deuteronomy 8-10
Mar 14	Thur	Deuteronomy 11-13
Mar 15	Fri	Deuteronomy 14-16
Mar 16	Sat	Deuteronomy 17-20
Mar 17	Sun	Deuteronomy 21-23