Miracles Everywhere Sermon Series

Week 3 Worship Materials

**Theme:** Miracles Everywhere: Courage

**Scripture:** Esther 8:1-8

**Week 3 Description:**

Through Esther’s courage, she became the miracle and saved her people. Our faith that God is present and continues to move gives us courage; and when we are courageous God will do great things through us. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, the congregation, the body of Christ, is the primary actor to release the power of God to transform lives and the community (1 Corinthians 12:27). We’re an actor in God’s play.

**Call to Worship:**

Listen up, everyone! God has given us work to do.
**God has called each of us** **before we were even born.**
It was God who named us.
**It is God who claims us.**
The light of God’s love shines in us.
**Let’s shine God’s love into all the world!**

~ posted on the *Worship Elements*page of the **Ministry Matters**website.<http://www.ministrymatters.com/worship/article/entry/4549/worship-connection-january-12-2014>

**Opening Prayer:**

Dear God, give us the courage to live into Your miracles. Grant us the faith to be obedient to Your guiding, and embolden us with the wisdom to see from Your perspective.

In the name of Christ we pray all things assuredly. Amen.

**Music Suggestions (Traditional):**

O God Our Help in Ages Past, United Methodist Hymnal #117

Standing on the Promises, UMH #374

Jesus, Thine all Victorious Love, UMH #422

We Shall Overcome, UMH #533

Be Still, My Soul: The Lord is on Your Side UMH #534

**Music Suggestions (Contemporary and Global):**

The Lion and the Lamb, Leeland, CCLI # 7038281

Christ is Enough, Reuben Morgan, CCLI # 6514035

Be Still My Soul (In You I Rest), Kari Jobe, CCLI # 6534077

We Will Be Bold, Eric Drew [www.ericdrewmusic.com/free-resources](http://www.ericdrewmusic.com/free-resources)