

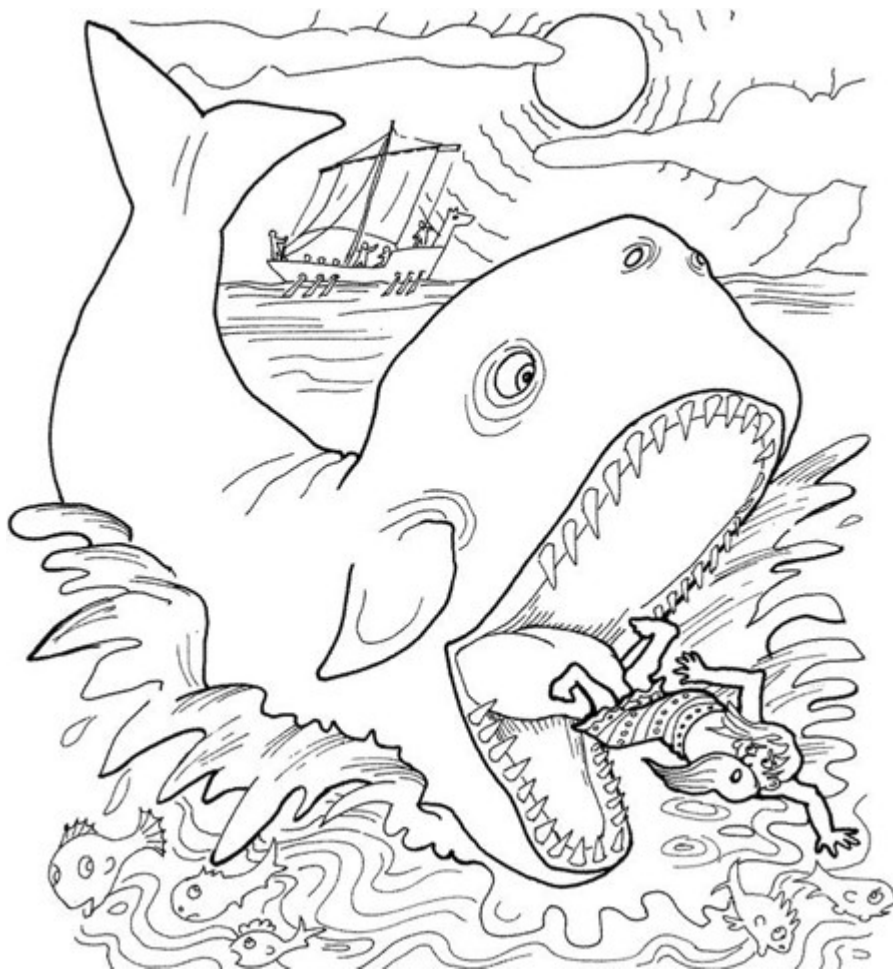
Evening Prayer
Third Sunday after Epiphany
January 24, 2021

the Parishes of New Carlisle & Chaleur Bay (Anglican Diocese of Quebec)
(adapted from the *Book of Alternative Services*, pages 61-71)

Opening Sentences:

The time is fulfilled and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent, and believe in the gospel. *Mark 1.15*

Seek him who made the Pleiades and Orion, and turns deep darkness into the morning, and darkens the day into night; who calls for the waters of the sea, and pour them out upon the surface of the earth: the Lord is his name. ~ *Amos 5.8*



The Penitential Rite

The officiant says to the people

Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship Almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Silence is kept.

The officiant and people say together,

**Most merciful God, we confess that we
have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole
heart; we have not loved our
neighbours as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

The priest, says,

Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

The Invitatory

**Hymn: Softly and Tenderly, Jesus is Calling
Common Praise (1938) #781**

1 Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling,
calling for you and for me;

see, on the portals he's waiting and watching,
watching for you and for me.

Refrain:

"Come home, come home!
You who are weary, come home."
Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,
calling, *"O sinner, come home!"

*or, "Beloved, come home!"

2 Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading,

pleading for you and for me?
Why should we linger and heed not his mercies,
mercies for you and for me? [Refrain]

3 Oh, for the wonderful love he has promised,
promised for you and for me!
Though we have sinned, he has mercy and
pardon,
pardon for you and for me. [Refrain]

Text: Will Thomson (1880)

Music: SOFTLY AND TENDERLY

The Proclamation of the Word

A Reading from the Book of Jonah (3.1-5, 10)

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

PSALM: Psalm 62 (BAS 782)

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS 7.29-31

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

The Song of Mary

Luke 1.46-55 Music: Russian Chant.

My soul proclaims the greatness of
the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my
Saviour; *
for he has looked with favour on his
lowly servant.
From this day all generations will
call me blessed: *

the Almighty has done great things
for me,
and holy is his name.
He has mercy on those who fear
him *
in every generation.
He has shown the strength of his
arm, *
he has scattered the proud in their
conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from
their thrones, *
and has lifted up the lowly.
He has filled the hungry with good
things, *
and the rich he has sent away
empty.
He has come to the help of his
servant Israel, *

for he has remembered his promise
of mercy,
the promise he made to our fathers,
*
to Abraham and his children for
ever.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be for ever.

Amen.

The congregation may stand or sit for a Gospel reading. The reader may say,

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to . . .

***People* Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Then at the conclusion of the Gospel, the reader says,

The Gospel of Christ.

***People* Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news." As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea - for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

Sermon: Called by Grace: Into the Sunlight of God's Truth.

A sermon or other comment on the readings is appropriate at principal services on Sundays and at other major gatherings of the Christian community. A silence for reflection may follow.

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostle's Creed

The celebrant may invite the people, in these or similar words, to join in the recitation of the creed.

Celebrant Let us confess our faith, as
we say,

***All I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our
Lord.***

**He was conceived by the power of the
Holy Spirit**

**and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the
Father.
He will come again
to judge the living and the dead.**

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Intercessions and Thanksgivings

Intercession or thanksgiving may be offered for
the Church
the Queen and all in authority
the world
the local community
those in need
the departed.

The Collect of the Day:

**Almighty God,
by grace alone you call us
and accept us in your service.
Strengthen us by your Spirit,
and make us worthy of your call;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
AMEN**

The Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn: Take My Life, and Let it Be.

1 Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

2 Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet, and let them be
swift and purposeful for thee.

3 Take my lips, and let them be
filled with messages from thee;

Text: Frances Havergal Tune: HENDON

take my intellect, and use
every power as thou shalt choose.

4 Take my will, and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.

5 Take my love, my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store.;
take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

Dismissal

Then may be said or sung,
Officiant Let us bless the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

*From Easter Day through the Day of Pentecost, **Alleluia** is added to the*
dismissal and the people's response

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**