

**Lectionary: Eph 3 - (*Jonah and Nineveh*)**

**Supplies:**

## **1 Gather – Mat**

1. Select Acolyte. Light candles. Locate Sunday on Mat and Chart. Point out today's date, church season, color, and icon. Have each youth put sticker on Sunday on Chart. Helper puts sticker on Attendance Chart.
2. Prepare for Focused Time with God. Sing a song or Quiet breathing
3. Ask *Have you ever been asked to do something you did not want to do? Did you do it? What happened after you did / didn't do it? What was the consequence of your choice?*
4. *Have you ever been asked to do something for someone you didn't like; someone who has been unkind to you; someone who is different from you? Etc.*
5. *Today we are going to hear a story about a man named Jonah? God asked him to do something he did not want to do.*

## **2 Listen**

1. Read the lesson. **God wanted Jonah to go to people who were not living like God wants us live. He would have to travel by boat. The men on the boat threw Jonah into the water. A whale saved him from drowning and spit him out on the land. Jonah did what God asked.**

## **3 Do**

1. Make a whale: 1) Draw a face on the bottom of a white sandwich bag. 2) Cut side fins out of white paper and glue them to the sides of the bag. Draw a blow hole on the top of the bag. 3) Wad up one sheet of newspaper and stuff into bottom of the bag 4) Make a small figure out of chenille (pipe cleaners) and place inside the whale 5) Close up bag and bind with a rubberband and form a tail by pulling out/fanning out open end.
2. Pass out bulletins. Begin to discuss pages.
3. Regroup for closing prayer: Lord's Prayer; Holding Cross

## **4 Go**

1. Provide crayons for finishing bulletins.
2. (*Distribute any items pertaining to the lesson*)