

# Prayer – We Say Yes to What You Have Created Us to Be

Patient and loving God,  
Like Jonah, we have been swallowed up into the belly of the whale.  
In the depths of the sea we have learned to sing your praises;  
    we have learned to say “yes” to your call.  
Like Lazarus, we have been lying in the dead of the tomb,  
    waiting to hear your call: “Come out!”

*(Pause for a moment of silence.)*

Today, we praise you for the beauty and diversity of your creation,  
    for the courage to be what you have created us to be,  
    and for your faithful love which guides and sustains us  
        through the darkness of death and into the light of new life. Amen.

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