Third Sunday after the Epiphany, Year B

The Collect:

Rite I:
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Old Testament: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

1 The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, 2 "Get up, go to Nineveh, that
great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." 3 So Jonah set out and went to
Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a
three days' walk across. 4 Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried
out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" 5 And the people of Nineveh
believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

10 When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed
his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them, and he did
not do it.

Psalm: Psalm 62: 6-14

6 For God alone my soul in silence waits; *
truly, my hope is in him.
7 He alone is my rock and my salvation, *
my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.
8 In God is my safety and my honor; *
God is my strong rock and my refuge.
9 Put your trust in him always, O people, *
pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.
10 Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, *
even those of low estate cannot be trusted.
11 On the scales they are lighter than a breath, *
all of them together.
12 Put no trust in extortion;
in robbery take no empty pride; *
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.
13 God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, *
that power belongs to God.
14 Steadfast love is yours, O Lord, *
for you repay everyone according to his deeds.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

29 I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even
those who have wives be as though they had none, 30 and those who mourn as though they
were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who
buy as though they had no possessions, 31 and those who deal with the world as though they
had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

14 Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the good
news of God 15 and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has
come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

[16] As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew
casting a net into the sea, for they were fishers. [17] And Jesus said to them, "Follow
me, and I will make you fishers of people." [18] And immediately they left their nets
and followed him. [19] As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and
his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. [20] Immediately he called
them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and
followed him.

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