Intercessions 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time—January 24, 2021

Cantor: Lord, hear our prayer.

- For the universal church and for this community: That we may acknowledge our own need to repent and be a rich source of consolation for others. *We pray*,
- For all the places in the world where unjust systems reflect the need for institutional change; and for leaders of integrity willing to address them. *We pray*,
- For those who feel no need to change, or who fear what this may require of them; and for those who focus on others' need for repentance. *We pray*,
- For our nation and our leaders as we undergo political change: for greater unity, a mutual concern for the common good, and a shared understanding of truth. *We pray*,
- For 12-step and other programs that promote the need for change and the importance of making amends. *We pray*,
- For all of us in this community, as we remain separated during this pandemic; for the sick and lonely, the dying and the grieving among us; for those whose needs we do not yet know; and for those whose lives we can help to change through our ministries. *We pray*,
- We pray now for our own concerns; and for help when change seems difficult or impossible (pause). For all these things, we pray,