Intercessions 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time—September 26, 2021

Cantor: O Lord, hear our prayer.

- For the church: May we remember that God's Spirit is not exclusive and is extended to both those with whom we disagree and those who inspire us. *We pray*,
- For those who establish false criteria for Christian legitimacy—who sit in judgment of those they consider unworthy. *We pray*,
- For the wealthy, who have a special obligation to the poor; and for those who have accumulated their wealth at the expense of others. *We pray*,
- For the healing of America's polarization; and for those who attribute God's approval or judgement to political positions. *We pray*,
- For refugees—especially Haitians. For justice at the border and humane policies and actions toward those seeking refuge. *We pray*,
- For the sick, the dying and the grieving among us; for those in any kind of pain or need; and for all whom we have pledged to embrace and serve in this sacred corner of the city and beyond. *We pray*,
- We pray now for our own concerns and for the grace to recognize and emulate God's inclusivity. (*Pause*). For all these things, we pray,