## Intercessions 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time—August 7, 2022

Cantor: Lord, hear our prayer.

- For the whole church: that we may live with deep faith and expectancy, especially when God seems distant and life overwhelms us. *We pray*,
- For faith in the God of Peace when personal, national and international conflicts engulf us. For the willingness to act as peacemakers wherever we are. *We pray*,
- For faith in the God of Justice when the unjust flourish and so many live with unexpected disasters and immeasurable loss. For the courage to work for justice wherever we see it. *We pray*,
- For faith in the God of Healing when much of the world lacks inadequate health and mental health care; and for the commitment to serve others who are suffering. *We pray*,
- For faith in the God of Truth in a culture of "alternative facts" and diminishing integrity; and for the gifts of discernment and truth-telling, especially to those in power. *We pray*,
- For all who are suffering in any way in this community and our neighborhood; and for the ministries through which we seek to serve others in Midtown and beyond. *We pray*,
- We pray now for our own concerns; and for openness to unimagined possibilities to serve others (pause). For all these things, we pray.