Intercessions Third Sunday of Advent—December 17, 2023

Cantor: Chu Kwu Nu Lu Olum

- For the church--called to rejoice and be grateful, but yearning, because there is so much more to come. *We pray*,
- For all people, everywhere, who have given up believing that justice, healing, liberty or vindication are coming. *We pray*,
- For all those who pray or work tirelessly—who are willing to sacrifice their comfort or their lives on behalf of others. *We pray*,
- For those who have never tasted violence or war, poverty or prejudice, inequality or lack of opportunity—who are immune to the pain and yearning of others. *We pray*.
- For the ability to rejoice and trust in a world where dangers and needs seem incredibly overwhelming. *We pray*,
- For our own community--grateful for so much--but where people among us are still sick, discouraged, dying and grieving; and for those whose needs we seek to alleviate through our parish ministries in this sacred corner of the city and beyond. *We pray*,
- We pray now for our own concerns, and ask that we may live as people of hope (pause). For all these things, we pray,