Intercessions 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time—July 21, 2024

Cantor: Chu Kwu Nu Lu Olum.

- For the church: for our leaders, both adequate and inadequate; for new forms of leadership; and for those who feel like sheep without a shepherd. *We pray*,
- For adequate leaders everywhere, especially in nations in crisis--including Haiti, Ethiopia, Gaza, and Israel. *We pray*,
- For those of us too busy to lead balanced lives; for the gift of rest that prepares us to work for peace and justice. *We pray.*
- For trustworthy leadership in our country's Executive, Legislative and Judicial branches; and for those losing courage and faith in the system. *We pray*,
- For ethical and selfless leadership in our upcoming elections; and for rhetoric and actions that protect our citizens and our democracy. *We pray*,
- For all among us who are sick or in any kind of pain or need; for those of us who need to rest in our care for others; and for all those who need our caring ministries...wherever they are. *We pray*,
- We pray now for the deepest concerns of our hearts and for the generosity to be good shepherds whenever the need arises *(pause)...For all of these things, we pray,*