Intercessions 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time—September 22, 2024

Cantor: Chu Kwu Nu Lu Olum.

- For the church: That we may be humble—willing to be a servant people, rather than served. *We pray*,
- For those who are driven to be "first", who are influenced by the American desire for success, greatness, recognition or accomplishment. *We pray*,
- For those struggling in their spiritual lives: those beset by doubt or anxiety; those trying to understand God's care when life is difficult and so many are suffering. *We pray*,
- For the end of violence in the Middle East and elsewhere; violent rhetoric in our elections; violence toward refugees and people of color everywhere. *We pray*,
- For the exoneration of death row inmate, Marcellus Williams; and for the end of capital punishment in Missouri. *We pray*,
- For this community; for all among us in any kind of pain or need; for all those for whom life is difficult; and for those we are called to serve through our parish ministries or our personal care. *We pray*,
- We pray now for our own concerns and for the courage to be "last", when we may prefer to be "first" *(Pause)*. *For all these things, we pray,*