August 13, 2017 – 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Presider:

Brothers and sisters, let us pray to be open to God's call, however it comes to us.

Proclaimer:

- For the whole church: that we may be a community ever open to God's call ... we pray,
- For those who feel unworthy or doubt God's love for them ... we pray,
- For those who feel betrayed by others: by family or institutions, by government or the church ... we pray,
- For those who continue to advocate for peace, despite setbacks ... we pray,
- For the patience and courage to respond to God's call especially in times of doubt ... we pray,
- For the openness to help others when they are afraid or doubtful ... we pray,
- For those who suffer from the summer heat or the effects of climate change ... we pray,
- For those who may know God only through the love and ministry of this community ... we pray,
- For all in this community who are sick, dying, or grieving, and for those who have died, especially ______... we pray,

Presider:

Gracious God, you have loved your people unconditionally and called us in countless and surprising ways. Be patient with us when we are hesitant, relentless when we resist, forgiving when we fail to respond. Open our eyes and ears, hearts and minds to the gifts you have prepared for us. We humbly ask this in the name of Jesus, your Son and our Savior. Amen.