July 30, 2017 – 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Presider:

Let us pray now for all who seek a world that is good, peaceful and loving.

Proclaimer:

- For the whole church: That we may continue to pursue God's reign and encourage others to seek it ... we pray,
- For those throughout the world whose search for God's reign is overridden by the search for personal safety or survival ... we pray,
- For those whose contribution to God's reign is promoting peace, compassion, justice and integrity... we pray,
- For the environment; for all in the world who depend upon it; and for those who threaten it through policies or personal behavior ... we pray,
- For valuable activities and programs that have been discontinued or endangered because of budget cuts ... we pray,
- For all in this community who need our support and prayers; and for those who have died, especially ______, ... we pray,

Presider:

God who offers us a fruitful harvest, we pray for the wisdom and courage to look beyond life's daily distractions and false hopes. Give us eyes that can see and hearts that are open to all that you have promised. Help us to hear and trust what Jesus teaches about your reign. We ask this in his holy name. Amen.