We recite the following paragraph, which the leader then repeats:

"וגל כלם יהביכו ויתרון להם שמה ינפלו הנמי לעולמ וזעה."

If the kohanim do not bless the congregation, we continue on page 169.

Birkat Kohanim. This blessing (Numbers 6:24–26) is known as the Birkat Kohanim, the Priestly Blessing, as the Torah prescribes that it is to be recited by Aaron and his descendants, the kohanim (priests), to bring God's blessing upon the people Israel. Its words are the only biblical verses that have been found in archaeological digs of biblical times. In most synagogues in Israel, this blessing is recited every day by the kohanim in each community, who come to the front of the synagogue after preparing themselves ritually, and extend their hands toward the community in a traditional gesture that serves as a conduit of blessing. In many synagogues in the Diaspora, the kohanim reenact this ancient blessing only during the Musaf service on High Holy Days and festivals. At other times, and at all times in many congregations, the blessing is recited by the service leader.

We rise. The kohanim recite quietly:

"יהי רצון מלפניך יהוה אל生产企业 ואל生产企业 [אמאמותינו], שמחת הברכה追赶 שמחת לברך אתים אלברך, וכבר לברך, עלייה בחשם משועלים."