***St. John Lutheran Church***

September 13, 2020                                                                                                                  9:30 a.m.

*In today's second reading Paul questions why we judge one another, since we all stand before the judgment of God. Yet we do sin against one another, and Jesus' challenge that we forgive seventy-seven times reveals God's boundless mercy. When we hear the words of forgiveness in worship and sign ourselves with the cross, we are renewed in baptism to be signs of reconciliation in the world.*

PRELUDE

**GATHERING**

RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING REFLECTION                  Our Prayer                                                    Shift Worship

CONFESSION

PROMISE OF FORGIVENESS                                                                             

OPENING HYMN ***Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty***                                     ***#413***

GREETING, LITANY & PRAYER OF THE DAY

HYMN OF PRAISE  ***Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*** ***#836***

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**HEARING GOD’S WORD**

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

FIRST READING                                    Genesis 50:15-21

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God!**

PSALM Psalm 103:1-4, 9-12

SECOND READING Romans 14:1-12

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God!**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION              ***Celtic Alleluia******#174***

        The Gospel According to Matthew

**Glory to You, O Lord.**

GOSPEL                                                           Matthew 18:21-35

       The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to You, O Christ.**

MESSAGE                                                        Just Between You and Me                                     Pastor Steve

**OUR RESPONSE**

HYMN OF THE DAY                      ***God, When Human Bonds Are Broken                                      #603***

APOSTLES’ CREED

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD’S PRAYER

OFFERING OUR LIVES, OUR TREASURE, OUR TIME

OFFERTORY                                     ***Take My Life, That I May Be*** (vss. 1,5)***#685***

OFFERING PRAYER                

**SENDING**

SENDING PRAYER 

BENEDICTION and DISMISSAL

HYMN ***Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*                          *#858***

POSTLUDE

**LEADERS IN THE SERVICE**

*Organist: Kimbra Lau*

*Liturgist: Rita Caron*

*Readings: Vannie Stevens & Gavin Grunzke*

*Audio-Visual: Erik Magelee, Josh Hengel & Carl Nienow*

*Council: Linda Henze & Jason Krengel*

*Altar Guild: Julie Lux & Koni Preston*

*Church Staff:*

*Caryl O’Brien, Custodian*

*Jill Zellmer, Office & Financial Administrator*

*Steve Berkeland, Pastor*

***Last Week Attendance*:** N/A  ***Offering***: *$774.53*

***Welcome* to St. John Lutheran Church**

*Whether you are looking for a place of worship or are just passing through,*

*we hope our service has blessed you on your journey*

*as* your *presence has been a blessing to* us.