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 Rachel Louise Raffa
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 Trinity Lutheran Classical High School
 Lake Country Classical Academy

*Peace Lutheran Academy
 21st Commencement Service*

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*Peace Lutheran Church and Academy
 Sussex, Wisconsin*

*Friday of Exaudi—Seventh Sunday of Easter
 May 26, 2023
 6:30 p.m.*

Graduation Order of Service

Friday of Exaudi
May 26, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

Evening Prayer

Lutheran Service Book p. 243

Please follow the order of service printed in the hymnal beginning on page 243. Propers for the day (readings and hymns) are listed below.

Help your neighbor! If you see someone who needs help with the hymnal, please assist him or her in finding the order of service, the psalm, and the hymns.

Preservice Music

Alec Welch – “Nocturne” by Dennis Alexander
Rachel Raffa – “To a Wild Rose” by Edward MacDowell
Allison Hermanson – “Dedication” by William Pelz

Stand and face the Christ Candle for the processional

Evening Prayer Service of Light 243

Sit

Additional Psalm *Sung responsively with the choir* Psalm 1
Choir sings vs. 2 as an antiphon before and after the psalm

Office Hymn 691

“Fruitful Trees”
Choir sings stanza 1

First Reading Deuteronomy 6:4-15

The Word is for sitting, walking, resting, and rising.

Second Reading Colossians 2:6-15

In Christ you are complete!

Choral Response

“Hear, O Lord God” from Psalms 61 and 63 by Antonin Dvořák

Hear, O Lord God, my cry to You, turn Your ear unto my prayer.

You are my refuge and my strong defense;

a sturdy tower against all my enemies.

I will be a guest in Your tents evermore; and hide beneath Your wings.

Lord God, you are indeed my God; eagerly will I seek You;
my soul is a thirst for You,
my flesh is fainting after You in a barren and a desert land,
where there’s no water.

So I will sing blessings daily to You
and lift my hands in prayer and adoration;

Yea, my lips shall sing praise to You.

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Third Reading Matthew 16:21-28

It is necessary that Jesus suffer many things.

Catechism—The Lord’s Prayer—First Petition p. 323

Hymn 865

“Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain”
Choir stanza 3

Sermon

Stand

Canticle—Magnificat 248

Prayer—Litany, Collect for Peace, Lord’s Prayer 249

Sit

Graduation

Greetings

Awarding of the Diplomas (pictures may be taken at this time)

Charge to the candidates

Stand

Benedicamus and Benediction

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ☩ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

C: Amen.

Hymn to Depart 818

“In Thee Is Gladness”