

# It Can Get Rough

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Living as a Minority 22 + LWML Sunday  
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Acts 21:27-23:11

Expect opposition when living the Christian life.

**John 15:18-20**, "If the world hates you, know that it has hated me before it hated you. If you were of the world, the world would love you as its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you. Remember the word that I said to you: 'A servant is not greater than his master.' If they persecuted me, they will also persecute you. If they kept my word, they will also keep yours."

We look at and learn from the obstacles that Paul faced.

## **Acts 21:27-36**

What other arrest does this remind us of?

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## **Acts 21:37-22:21**

Paul reacts to the angry crowd by telling them about his own

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The crowd was listening until Paul started talking about whom?

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Paul is arrested. Despite all of the opposition he faced, he continued to proclaim the Truth.

We close with discussing opposition today and how we can and should react.

What are some obstacles or some opposition you face today?

How should you react to those obstacles?

## LWML Pledge

In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption

we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have;  
and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields,  
we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us.

We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands,  
our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love,  
our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will,  
and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him.

Amen.

## Blessing of the LWML Quilts

### Address

**P** Beloved in the Lord, in His great love for us the eternal God has taken on human flesh and joined Himself to His own creation. Heaven and earth are now filled with His glory as He uses the things of this world to bring us His blessing. "He has made everything beautiful in its time" so that we may behold the beauty of the Lord and inquire in His holy temple.

It is fitting, then, that these quilts be sanctified by Word and prayer for use by others for comfort.

### Versicles

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**G** **who made heaven and earth.**

### Salutation

**P** The Lord be with you.  
**G** **And also with you.**

### Collect

**P** Let us pray.  
Heavenly Father, Your Son is the express image of Your glory so that when we behold Him we contemplate Your unending mercy. Bless and sanctify these quilts, which are offered in honor of Your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Grant that all who behold them may, by Your grace, be strengthened in the true faith and worship You with a steadfast heart; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G** **Amen.**

### Blessing of the LWML Quilts

**P** The Lord Almighty, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless these quilts and those who behold them.

**G** **Amen.**

# Christian Citizenship Forum

Oct  
23rd

## ***Muslim Immigration to the United States: Christian Responses***

**Rev. Hicham Chehab, Presenter**



From studying Islam to studying Christianity, from being a *Muslim sniper* to being a *Lutheran pastor*, Rev. Hicham Chehab bears witness to the fact that our Lord has a good plan and a good purpose for each life.

**Sunday, October 23, 2016**

Presentation, Responses, and Audience Questions, **3-4:30pm**  
Middle Eastern Dinner, **4:30-5:30pm**

**All are welcome. Admittance is free.  
Free will donation for dinner.**

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# RACE FOR EDUCATION

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St. Paul's Lutheran School  
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Dear Parishioner,

On Friday, October 21, 2016, St. Paul's Lutheran School will be having its eighth Race for Education to raise funds for additional school needs. Past years' funds have been put towards technology needs in each classroom, field trips, school library, upgraded water fountains, a new gym floor and more. We hope you will consider sponsoring a student or an adult participant (teacher/staff member). Participants will be walking or jogging around a 1/3 mile area for a one-hour period. If you prefer not to sponsor a specific participant, please consider making a "general donation" to St. Paul's Lutheran School. Please indicate your choice below. Thank you.

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