

No one really likes it. Yet it happens to all of us time and again. I'm talking about a crisis. You don't see it coming. You have no control over it. You're not even sure what step to take next—much less knowing all the necessary steps to take to bring it to an end. That's a crisis.

What do you do in a time of crisis? Who do you go to for help? Who helps you understand what's going on and why? Who do you lean on for strength and support? Who carries you through those times of crisis to better and brighter days?

From my experience, there is only one person who can really help every time. I'm talking about our Savior God, Jesus Christ.

Jesus once said, "In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). When a crisis hits, I remember these "tell it like it is" words of Jesus. He reminds you and me that we shouldn't be surprised by times of trouble and crisis in our lives. In truth, he says we should expect that these times will come. Why? We live in a world filled with crisis—brought on by our own mistakes as well as the failures of others. All of our troubles remind us that our greatest crisis isn't about money, health, national security, or personal safety. The greatest crisis we face—a crisis of our own making—is a broken relationship with our Creator God.

How do we handle that crisis? We don't. We can't. But Jesus does. Jesus is the one who has overcome the world and the crises we face in it. He did it by living in a perfect relationship with his heavenly Father for you and me.

Jesus settled the crisis of our rebellion before God when he died in our place. Through Jesus, we are restored into a right relationship with God. Jesus says, "I have told you these things, so that you may have peace" (John 16:33).

Through Jesus, you are on God's side. Through Jesus, God will help you overcome every crisis that comes your way!

Do you have a pastor you can talk to and who will listen to you? Come to Siloah Lutheran Church and meet Pastor Brady Coleman.

Upcoming Events in October 2023

Those who are feeling unwell or have symptoms associated with COVID-19 are asked to remain home and view our worship service on <u>Facebook</u>. Otherwise, we can provide a face mask for you as we adhere to CDC guidelines.

Visitors, please Join us on Sunday mornings for Siloah Café and fellowship at 8:30 AM, followed by Christian education at 9:00 AM, and worship service at 10:00 AM.

Saturday, October 7th, 2023
Aurora Healthcare Seminar with Lunch
Topic: Fall Prevention
Time: 12 noon

Saturday, October 21st, 2023 Fish Fry Time: 12noon - 4:00 PM Cost: \$15

Sunday, October 29th, 2023 Friendship Sunday at 10:00 AM