A Comeback Story

Meanwhile, Saul was uttering threats with every breath and was eager to kill the Lord's followers. So he went to the high priest. He requested letters addressed to the synagogues in Damascus, asking for their cooperation in the arrest of any followers of the Way he found there. He wanted to bring them — both men and women — back to Jerusalem in chains.

As he was approaching Damascus on this mission, a light from heaven suddenly shone down around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul! Saul! Why are you persecuting me?" "Who are you, lord?" Saul asked. And the voice replied, "I am Jesus, the one you are persecuting! Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do."

The men with Saul stood speechless, for they heard the sound of someone's voice but saw no one! Saul picked himself up off the ground, but when he opened his eyes he was blind. So his companions led him by the hand to Damascus. He remained there blind for three days and did not eat or drink.

So Ananias went and found Saul. He laid his hands on him and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road, has sent me so that you might regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." Instantly something like scales fell from Saul's eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he got up and was baptized.

Acts 9:1-9; 17-18 NLT

A Christian comeback story includes...

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My old self has been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me.

Galatians 2:20a NLT

This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun! And all of this is a gift from God... 2 Corinthians 5:17-18a NLT

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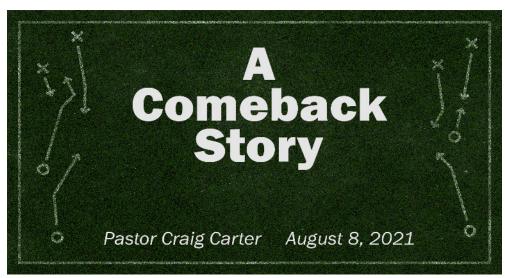
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Welcome to Lynn Haven United Methodist! We're glad you're here!

Thank you Teachers and School Staff! If you are an an employee of the education system and did not receive a gift last week during our Blessing of the Backpacks service, please stop by the table in our lobby to pick one up today. We are so thankful for what you do in service to our community and we pray you have a great school year!

<u>Serve at Southport Elementary's Welcome Walk:</u> Do you love any good reason to cheer and celebrate? Then join us to welcome students for the start of school at Southport Elementary on Tuesday, Aug. 10! Wear a red Lynn Haven UMC shirt (or any red shirt) and show up at 1835 Bridge Street, Panama City by 6:45 am. As families walk their students in, just wave and cheer. Bring pom-poms, noisemakers and/or signs if desired. We'll be done by 7:30 am. Please sign up at <u>mylhumc.net/southport-serve</u>.

AWANA Club 2021-22 Starts Sept. 8! If you are looking for a way for your child to better understand the Bible, get to ask questions, build positive friendships, and have a blast doing it, you should think about signing them up for AWANA Club! AWANA is a weekly ministry for kids ages 3 years - 5th grade. Club meetings take place most Wednesdays from September through early May. Registration is now open at mylhumc.net/kids.

Pre-School Parent's Morning Out: We are now accepting enrollment forms for our 2021-22 Pre-School Parent's Morning Out program. The program will start Monday, Aug. 9 offering care Mondays-Thursdays from 9 am to noon. Space is limited! Registration packets can be picked up in the front office and returned to Cindy Hansen, Nursery Director. In addition to enrolling kids, we are hiring substitute childcare workers for this program. Applicants should be at least 18 years of age and have experience working with young children. Applications are available in the church office or from Children's Ministry staff. Contact Cindy@mylhumc.net, with any questions.