

A close-up photograph of several long, green, pointed leaves of an iris plant, likely an Easter lily. The leaves are arranged in a fan-like pattern, with some in sharp focus and others blurred in the background. The lighting is soft and natural, highlighting the texture and color of the leaves.

PARALLELS

life

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WELCOME TO FAC!



Happy Easter!

We're so glad that you've made this service a part of your Easter celebration! We hope you feel at home here, and that you'll plan to join us for our next teaching series, **The Other 6 Days**.

All of us work hard to build a career, a family, a cause – or just to get by ... But what are we really accomplishing? What does our week's to-do list have to do with the big picture? How does it affect the 1 day out of 7 when we come to church – or vice versa? This 6-week series will examine the following topics:



- Purpose: Why the work of life matters to God**
- Ambition: How we make life choices**
- Stress: The mystery of balance**
- Disappointment: Learning to live in between times**
- Adversity: Character in tough places**
- Play: God in the everyday**

We'll begin this series next weekend April 22/23 and would love to have you join us! Full programming is available for infants through Grade 6 at all weekend services. We also provide translation for Spanish, Mandarin, and Farsi. We hope to see you again soon!

new or visiting?

We're glad you're here! Stop by "NEXT" in **Meeting Place 2** after the service – we'd love to meet you.

need prayer?

Prayer teams are available at the front after the service, or fill out the attached **Contact Card**.

get connected

We'd love to help you get connected! Visit **faccalgary.com/smallgroups** or fill out the attached **Contact Card**.

RightNow Media

Our church's Bible study library is now digital and gigantic! Over 14,000 discipleship videos for kids, youth, and adults. You can join for free! Register to receive an invitation at **faccalgary.com/registrations** (please note: if you're already in the FAC database you'll automatically receive an invitation email).

support & care

Hurting? We have a variety of support groups that meet throughout the year to provide space to reflect, learn, heal, and grow in a safe community. **Grief Support** meets Wednesdays, 7:00 pm starting April 26. Register online. **Celebrate Recovery** meets every Tuesday, 7:00 pm in Room 255AB. No registration required. For more info visit **faccalgary.com/care**.

upcoming events

To find info on upcoming events at FAC, such as our **Girls' Night Out**, visit **faccalgary.com/registrations**.

students (grades 7-12)

Hey, Junior High and High School students, did you know we meet weekly for worship services, small groups, and special events? We'd love to have you join us! For service times and events specific for students grade 7-12, visit **faccalgary.com/students**.

kids' camp

Kids "discover fun" at DiscoveryCamps, July 4-7! Kids will enjoy games, music, drama, science fun, and diving into God's word. We have camps specifically for sports, drama, and sewing. Registration opens on April 17, **faccalgary.com/registrations**.

easter egg hunt

Kids will receive a bag in DiscoveryLand. Meet at the west doors (near Cornerstone Café) 15 minutes after the service for instructions. **You can recycle your plastic eggs in the labeled bins at the doors.**

My Journey



When my journey led back to God, I had no idea what was in store for me. I knew faith in God and Jesus would help me, but I didn't know how. When people talked about personal encounters with God, I never thought I would have one – until I did. Here are some excerpts from what I wrote down after my awesome experience with God.

"... God came to me. He spoke to me so loudly I couldn't sleep ... His words were very clear ... He gave me specific instructions, and they would not leave my head until I wrote them down ... He allowed me to feel real anger, which I hadn't felt in years. He told me I would eventually forgive, but I should focus on other things first ..."

*"... I felt the Holy Spirit in me as He drew out the ties that were holding me down. It was like a fog lifted, and I could see everything more clearly. He helped me visualize and internalize the destructive patterns I kept repeating ... **He told me that I was worthy of His love and that I was strong ...**"*

***"God gave me clarity.** My eyes and heart are now open to live my fullest life. To nurture others and to focus on the family I have right now ... my son needs me to love myself the way God loves me, without conditions or reservations."*

When my faith starts to fade, I go back to my writing to remember how He healed me.

- Ginger Rozmus

SERVICES (and translations)

Saturdays 6:30 pm

Sundays 9:15 am (Spanish)

11:15 am (Farsi & Mandarin)

giving at FAC

If you are new or visiting, please don't feel obligated to donate. Our offering supports various ministries of FAC, in Calgary, and beyond. Have questions? Please contact John Siebring jsiebring@faccalgary.com/
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