

**Listening to Ordinary Narratives of Faith: Affirming Transcendence  
in Human Experience**

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**Abstract**

To be a church in the post-pandemic times is to be a listening church. This listening involves digging deep into the life narratives of people and being vigilant to the transcendent revelations that lie hidden within them. This paper aims to articulate the structures of faith narratives by looking into human experiences. Such articulation looks at faith narratives from the perspectives of phenomenology and language. It then considers faith narratives as a traditioned human experience, an affirmation of the continuity of faith experiences in the unfolding of human encounters. Finally, this paper frames the whole discourse on faith narratives vis-à-vis human experience through Sir John Polkinghorne's vision of the human person in his integrated anthropology. The purpose of all of these is to establish the epistemic warrant of ordinary faith narratives.