

TLCFW Worship Video Guidelines

Thank you so much for volunteering to be a part of our digital worship service. Here are some friendly guidelines to help us make a high quality composition:

- Please use the best camera you have available.
 - You can use a webcam on your laptop or the camera on your phone.
 - If your phone is newer than your computer, your phone may have the better camera.
 - If using your phone, the camera on the back of your phone is usually better than the “selfie” camera.
 - Check the camera or video settings on your device. If possible, a 1080p video would be best, but 720p would be fine as well.
 - For iOS:
 - Open the Settings app.
 - Tap Camera, then tap Record Video.
 - Select from the list of video formats and frame rates that your iPhone supports.
 - “1080p HD at 30 fps” would be preferable.
 - You don’t need to go any higher than 1080p. At any higher resolution or frame rate the file sizes become pretty unmanageable.
- Please record in landscape (horizontal or “hot dog style”) if possible.
- Make sure that you are well lit. Try to find a bright room or some natural light so your face isn’t shadowed. Please do not sit in front of a window.
- If you are using a mobile device, try to prop your device in a way so it’s not moving while you are recording. A tripod or stand would be ideal, but a makeshift stand out of books, a shelf in your house, or a wire coat hanger would work too.
- Don’t feel rushed to begin talking right after starting the video or to turn off the video right after you finish. It is very easy to trim off the beginning and ending of clips and having a bit of extra video on either end helps to create a transition between clips when editing
- For the best audio:
 - Find a room with minimal echo.
 - If you don’t own a separate microphone (which we expect most of you do not - I didn’t until a couple of weeks ago!), position yourself closer to your device. A normal “FaceTime” distance or at your desk is fine. Just don’t sit in a chair across the room from your recording device, even if the shot is prettier. :)

Again, we are grateful for your help! Thanks for allowing the congregation to see some more familiar faces during this time of isolation.