Practical solutions for being a digital church

The Diocese of Worcester Church Buildings & Communications teams





Simple can work well

- Often a smart phone is all you need.
- Invest in a tripod with a smart phone cradle.
- Think about the best camera angle for those watching.
- Where are your followers? Facebook/ YouTube/ Twitter/ Zoom
- To live-stream requires a strong mobile signal or WiFi





Simple can work well

• A case study...

Live-streaming with a smart phone in Worcester Cathedral





If you want to take the next step

- Using two or more cameras
- OBS (Open Broadcaster Software)
- Consider using a vision mixer
- Think about sound quality for those online
- External companies who can help with more permanent setups





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• A case study...

Paul Lawlor, Vicar of St Stephen's Church in Redditch





The importance of thinking digitally

- Live-streaming isn't always the best option
- Shorter content often works best with online
- What audience are you trying to reach?
- Could you work with others to offer people choice?
- Other social media TikTok for mission?





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• A case study...

Laura Betson, Vicar in the Kidderminster West Team





Permission for a permanent digital presence

- Installing WiFi/ cameras in church
- Who is appearing on screen?
- Make sure you have the right licences talk to CCLI



