Basics of Streaming Sacrament Meeting

There are 5 basic elements to streaming live Sacrament Meetings. Optional solutions and detailed readings are identified below.

- o Additional Reading:
    - General Guidelines Document
    - Official Notice from ICS and the Presiding Bishopric (emailed directly to STS in NA/Canada)
    - Streaming Tools Reference Document
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1. Receive direction from your ecclesiastical leader. Consider the following questions.

- Who has the Stake President assigned to drive the solution in the stake?
- Does the person responsible to drive the solution have a preferred technology he wants the wards to use?
- How much budget does the responsible person want to allocate to this solution?

2. Determine a camera source. Any of the following can be used:

- o Permanently mounted camera in stake center or other buildings.
- o Mobile devices (smartphone or tablets) using streaming apps
- o USB webcams connected to laptop/desktop with streaming software.
- o All-in-one camera/audio/encoder such as Mevo.
    - o Additional Reading:
        - Mevo setup
        - Smart phone setup

3. Determine an audio source

- Chapel audio can be an excellent audio source. Especially since all microphones run through the audio source. When using **Chapel Audio**, the signal going into the camera will need to be attenuated. For more info see the additional reading article below.
- External microphone can be routed into the audio input on most selected devices.
    - o Additional Reading:
        - o Getting Audio Right with Virtual Sacrament Meetings.

4. Determine an encoding device that combines audio and video sources and streams them to reputable cloud platforms. Such encoding devices include:

   - Existing Teradek installed in stake center and other streaming enabled meetinghouses.
   - Mobile devices utilizing apps such as Larix or LiveNow.
   - Laptop/Desktop using free software solutions like OBS.
     - Additional Reading
       - OBS setup
       - Teradek setup
       - Larix setup

5. Select a reputable cloud streaming platform. Follow the guidelines outlined by the Presiding Bishopric for meeting streaming solutions. Some options include:

   - Church Webcast Service
   - YouTube Live
   - Facebook Live
   - Zoom which is configured to limit distractions
     - Additional Reading:
       - Scheduling a Webcast
       - Using YouTube Live
       - Configuring Zoom to Limit Distractions
       - Streaming Zoom Meetings to Church Webcast