

# Tips For Smartphone Photography

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## People

Church is all about people! Your pictures should be too. Use the opportunity to highlight attenders and volunteers by sharing photos of them in action.

## Simplify

Get rid of the clutter. People viewing photos on mobile devices are very rapidly scrolling through. The simpler and more straightforward the photo is, the more it will stand out.

## Take Time to Focus

Usually, photos are out of focus, blurry, or too light or dark simply because we don't slow down and take a little extra time.

- **Pro Tip:** Use your exposure and focus locks. On most smartphones, you can tap your screen to focus on a certain area or subject. If you hold your finger to the screen for a few seconds it will lock the focus and exposure on that area and you will be able to hold that exposure/focus if you move.
- **Pro Tip:** Don't zoom. Never use the zoom feature on your phone. (Your legs are your zoom!)

## Shoot Extras

To end up with a quality photo, keep shooting and get several different angles. It takes time and a lot of deleted photos before you can start getting consistent results.

## Have Fun

Usually, if you want to photograph something it's because it catches your eye. Your audience will probably feel the same way. So have fun, and take photos that tell a story and capture your attention!