

# how it works: THE BAPTISM STORY

First of all, we are really excited that you are getting baptized. This outward sign of your decision is a huge step in your life and we want it to be the best possible experience.

The great thing about baptism is that it truly acts as a catalyst - bringing other people on your journey with you. Not only have you begun a relationship with Christ (be it recently or a long time ago) but by being baptized, you are telling your church family that you want them to come along for the journey.

The way we do this at Mt Vernon is through something called the baptism story. It happens in three easy steps.

**1 development** You take time to think about your story, type it up and send it to us. After receiving it, we will consider the best style, look and “tone” of your baptism story. We will then contact you regarding some different options for you to approve. After all, it’s your story.

**2 production** We will meet at the church in the commons area to begin production of your film. Production sounds like a big fancy thing, really it just means we will put you in front of the camera and you’ll talk. We will spend about 20 minutes in the Mt Vernon Studio and then go somewhere else (maybe off campus, but close by) to film some “b-roll” (that’s images of you walking around or other visuals that help to tell your story). the whole production phase will take less than an hour.

**3 finishing** Our team will edit the footage into a concise, less than four minute film. It will include music, maybe some photos and graphics, but mostly - you. It is the connecting point between the church and the water.