



Host a Screening with Ember TV

A GUIDE FOR CHURCHES, SCHOOLS & GROUPS

Everything you need to plan, show and
make the most of a film screening.

Why host a screening

A film night is one of the simplest ways to gather your community. With an Ember TV Public Screening License you can show an inspiring film in your church hall, school gym or meeting room. This guide walks you through every step.



Bring your community together

Families, students, church members and neighbors share an evening around a story worth watching.



Spark conversation and faith

A good film opens the door to real talk. The conversation afterward is often where hearts are moved.



Raise money for your mission

Tickets, donations and concessions can cover your license and support your church, school or ministry.

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How it works

1 Choose a film

Browse films at app.emberstreaming.com and open the film and select **Book a Public Screening**.

2 Pick your license by audience size

Up to 50	Up to 100	Up to 150	Up to 200	Up to 250
\$199	\$299	\$499	\$699	\$899

More than 250 people? Select **Request a Quote** on the same page and we'll send you a quote.

3 Enter your screening details

Add your screening date, time zone, venue name and address. Selling tickets or taking donations is welcome and encouraged.

4 Pay securely online

You'll receive a License Certificate for your records. Find it anytime under **My Rentals**.

5 Show the film

The film is playable all day the day before (for a test run), the day of your screening, and the day after, in your venue's time zone.

What your license includes

- One public showing on your chosen date at your venue
- Full-HD streaming
- A license certificate

Each additional showing needs its own license.

Expecting a bigger crowd?

Contact us and we can upgrade your license to a larger audience, even after booking.

How to stream the film

Pick the option that fits your room. Either way, sign in with the Ember TV account you used to buy the license.



OPTION 1 • RECOMMENDED FOR BIG SCREENS

Apple TV, Roku or Fire TV



IMPORTANT: download the FREE Ember TV app onto the device first.

1

Download the free Ember TV app from the device's app store: Apple App Store on Apple TV, Roku Channel Store on Roku, Amazon Appstore on Fire TV.



2

Sign in with the SAME Ember TV account used to buy the license.

3

Scan the QR code or enter the code. The TV shows a QR code and a short code. Scan the QR code with your phone's camera, or go to **app.emberstreaming.com/activate** on your phone or computer and enter the code.



OPTION 2

Laptop or computer

Sign in at **app.emberstreaming.com** in a web browser, open the film and play it full screen. Connect the laptop to your projector or TV with an HDMI cable.



The film streams online and cannot be downloaded.

A reliable internet connection is essential. Test it in the room during your run-through the day before.

Equipment & tech checklist

Tick each item off as you gather it.

☐ Projector or large TV

☐ Screen

☐ Sound system or speakers
Built-in TV speakers are rarely enough for a hall.

☐ HDMI cable and adapters

☐ A streaming device with the free Ember TV app, or a laptop
Compatible devices: Apple TV, Roku or Amazon Fire TV.

☐ A wired internet connection if possible
Or strong Wi-Fi, tested in the room.

☐ Extension cords

☐ A microphone for welcome remarks



Do a test run the day before

Your film unlocks a full day early so you can check picture, sound and internet in the actual room.

Planning timeline

- 4–6 weeks before**
 - Choose the film
 - Book your license
 - Set ticket prices or a donation goal
 - Start promoting
- 2–3 weeks before**
 - Bulletin and pulpit announcements
 - Posters, social media, school newsletter
 - Recruit volunteers
- 1 week before**
 - Confirm your headcount (upgrade your license if needed)
 - Confirm equipment and room setup
- Day before**
 - Full tech test in the room using your Ember TV account
- Day of**
 - Arrive early
 - Start the stream a few minutes before showtime
 - Welcome guests
- After**
 - Thank attendees and volunteers
 - Share photos
 - Report how much you raised

OUR KEY DATES

Screening date _____

Tech test _____

Point person _____

Promote your screening

Use as many of these as you can. Personal invitations often bring the most people.



Bulletin and pulpit announcements



A flyer with the film poster



Your church or school website



Social media posts



Email newsletters



Local church or community calendars



Personal invitations



Sample bulletin announcement

Fill in the blanks, or write your own below.

Join us for a film night. _____ will host a screening of

_____ on _____ at _____ in

_____. Tickets: _____. Bring family and friends.

Questions? Contact _____.

Turn your screening into a fundraiser

Ember TV encourages you to use your screening to cover your license and raise money for your church, school or ministry.



Sell tickets

Pre-sale and at the door; family passes; student discounts.



Free-will offering

Or a suggested donation at the door.



Online giving

Put a QR code on flyers and on screen.



Find a sponsor

A local business, Knights of Columbus, a church group or a generous family covers the license. Then every ticket and donation is profit.



Concessions

Popcorn, drinks, baked goods, a themed treat.



Dinner and a movie

Or a potluck before the film.



Raffle, 50/50 or silent auction



Matching-gift challenge

Ask a donor to match what you raise.

BREAK-EVEN EXAMPLE

Cover the license

$$50 \text{ guests} \times \$4 = \$200$$

A \$199 license for 50 guests is covered by \$4 tickets.

Raise more

$$50 \times \$10 = \$500 - \$199 = \$301$$

At \$10 a ticket, 50 guests raise \$500: \$301 for your cause after the license.

Follow your church, diocese or school policies on raffles, ticket sales and donation receipts.

Make it meaningful

All of these are optional. Choose what suits your group and use the space to plan.

BEFORE THE FILM

Opening prayer or welcome

Brief introduction to the film

AFTER THE FILM

Discussion questions

- 1

- 2

- 3

- 4

- 5

More ideas



Invite a speaker



Adoration or prayer
time



A follow-up small group

Troubleshooting & FAQ



The film won't play.

Make sure you're signed in to the account that bought the license, and that it's within your viewing window (day before through day after).



The TV app asks me to sign in.

Scan the QR code on the TV with your phone's camera, or go to app.emberstreaming.com/activate and enter the code shown on the TV.



It keeps buffering.

Switch to a wired connection or move closer to the Wi-Fi router. Close other devices using the internet.



Can I download the film?

No, it streams online only.



Can we show it twice?

Each showing needs its own license.



More people are coming than planned.

Contact us to upgrade your license.



Still stuck? Our contact details are on the back page.

We're here to help.



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