

## Getting Internet Services on your TV

I have commented how the St.Christopher's services as well as Zoom meetings and other virtual gatherings are much more enjoyable on the TV than on a phone or tablet and folks have asked how they can do the same for themselves. Here is what I get to see in our living room.



<<<<In the living room.



The full screen picture>>>>

**There are several ways you can join the services, or see anything you would normally see on the internet through your large screen TV. Practice at anytime as St. Christopher's broadcasts live 24 hour a day, although generally it is only the Dove or the Altar.**

Although these instructions are to specific hardware, detailed instructions and videos are available on Google or Youtube. Type in specific request such as: 'How connect LG 50UN7300PUF TV to internet? Help is available from the Senior Center, St. Christopher's, or where you buy your equipment, perhaps Nantucket Sound or BestBuy.

### **If you own a Smart TV:**

Many of the newer TVs are internet connected (or can be internet connected). Check your manual to see if the set you have has a Browser (Chrome, Firefox, Safari or maybe one especially designed for your TV).

Just having your TV attached to Comcast is not sufficient, you need to also have an internet wire going to the TV or the TV needs to be connected to the WiFi. (many newer sets have WiFi capability) Then follow these instructions from the internet: (Hold the ctrl button and left mouse click on these links..they are safe from any malware).

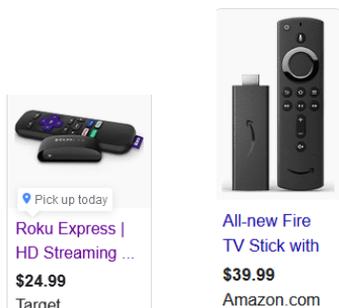
[Samsung TV instructions](#)

[LG TV instructions](#)

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Basically, open the menu and select the browser, then type in StChristophersChatham.org and click on the live link. (or any other website you might choose).

### **With ROKU or Amazon Fire:**



[Fire TV Instructions](#)

[ROKU Installation](#)

To connect to the above, hold the ctrl button and click left mouse button.

These are two different systems that will connect your TV to WiFi and are very inexpensive as well as easy to install. Merely plug the unit into one of the available connections on the back of your TV. There is no monthly cost and there is a one-time cost of about \$30.00. Set-up is straightforward, and there is excellent support to help you. Once you have this, you can do anything on the internet. Dick Kraycir personally uses Amazon Fire and can watch PBS streaming (free with annual donation), You Tube (Free), IMDb (Free), Netflix (with paid subscription), Amazon Prime Movies (Some Free, some paid after Amazon Prime membership), and many other sources.

The above are only for watching, if you want to do Zoom or GoToMeeting on your TV, you will need to connect your device to the TV.

Here you can see my laptop connected to the TV with an HDMI wire:



Nearly every TV has a series of inputs of different kinds, but today the standard is HDMI. So to do what I am doing is connecting one of the sockets on the back to my computer using a 25' HDMI cable. This allows me to have the camera in the laptop on me, but see everyone else on the TV.



<<<\$30.00 at Amazon. Similar at best Buy.

My laptop has a miniature HDMI connector so I needed an adapter that Best Buy helped me select.



If you are connecting to an iPad or iPhone, you will need a different adapter. I suggest asking someone (or on-line help) as Apple does not standardize connections. Although, most today are called Lightning. The adapter for that looks like this:



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Once you are hooked up to the laptop, tablet or phone, the TV duplicates the image that is on the device once you select using the the (Input or Source ) button on the remote. The camera and microphone remain in the device so one does not have to sit right up in front of the TV.

I hope you will not think this is overly complex, it only seems that way. Often some help is required to do the initial setup, but use is no more difficult than connecting to any other website, or accepting a Zoom call. The results are well worth the effort.

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