

There are a variety of other products most with free trials out there. John Washbush and I put this list together for someone else asking the same question.

iMovie (Mac OS and IOS only)

Comes with every Apple hardware device. Lots of online helps. Only complaint from me is that works great with things that are very straight forward, but can get cantankerous if you need it to do something not so linear. You might check with Bill Dunlop who has been using this to create service for St Mark's and St Paul's and see what advice he might have.

Sony Vegas Studio - <https://www.vegascreativesoftware.com/us/vegas-movie-studio/>

This product was born in Madison. I used its professional version for more than a decade. The Studio version is very inexpensive. It used to have a 30 day free trial which I am not readily finding. Lots of software for the money. Very easy interface for slightly more complex editing than iMovie.

Corel Video Studio - <https://www.videostudiopro.com/en/products/videostudio/pro/>

This is a step up from iMovie. I haven't used it but have used similar products, and it does a have free trial for 30 days. This is recommended by John Washbush. He teaches high school media production in Sussex and this is what all of the students use in his classes.

Davinci Resolve - <https://www.blackmagicdesign.com/products/davinciresolve/>

This company has a forever free version of its software that is very full featured. It is an industry level editor with a few features removed at its free level. The big thing here is that there may be a steep learning curve because it is designed to entice folks away from other industry level editing systems. So it can appear complicated and not as user friendly.

Recording ahead of time can be great. One caution: It can become very time-consuming. The first few weeks that you do it make sure to leave yourself a lot of time.

~The Rev. Don Fleischman