

# *An Order for the Public Worship of God*

Celebration of the First Fifty Years of  
Amity United Methodist Church  
April 6, 1958 – April 6, 2008

Homecoming Day Eleven O'Clock in the Morning

\* Please stand if you are able

## **Prelude**

\* **Call To Worship** Psalm 84

Leader: How lovely is thy dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!!

**People: My soul longs, yea, faints for the courts of the Lord.**

Leader: Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself,

**People:** Where she may lay her young, at thy altar, O Lord of hosts.

Leader: I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God

**People: Then dwell in the tents of wickedness.**

\* **Hymn** 545 *The Church's One Foundation* Stone, 1866

\* **Opening Prayer**

\* **Greeting** *Having spoken to God, let us give to each other a gracious Amity welcome.*

## **Joys and Concerns of the Congregation**

Welcome & Signing of the Pew Pads

A Word of Witness from Those Who Came Back Home Today

Speaking our Concerns

Prayer of Intercession and Our Lord's Prayer 895

## **Our Children's Choir**

## **Worship with Tithes and Offerings**

Offertory Anthem

\* Dedication: 95 *Doxology* Thomas Ken, 1674

\* **Hymn Sing**  
733 *Marching to Zion* (V. 1, 3) Watts, 1707  
723 *Shall We Gather at the River* (V. 1, 4) Lowry, 1864

\* **Gospel** Matthew 16:13-20

## **Table Talk**

### *Roots & Wings The Church is of God*

Text: 45 Hymnal, Baptismal Covenant III  
*The Church is of God, and will be  
preserved to the end of time,*

*For, the conduct of worship and  
the due administration of God's Word and Sacraments,  
the maintenance of Christian fellowship and discipline,  
the edification of believes, and  
the conversion of the world.*

**These historic words come from the ritual of the former Methodist Church**

\* **Service to remember our Baptism and be thoughtful.**

### **Service of Table II**

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\* Invitation

Confession and Pardon

The Great Thanksgiving

Serving the Sacrament

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### **Invitation to Christian Discipleship**

*The Altar is always open for prayers and dedication to Christ*

\* **Hymn** 413 *A Charge to Keep I have* Wesley, 1762

\* **Benediction**

\* **Postlude** 672 *God Be with You till We Meet Again* Rankin, 1880