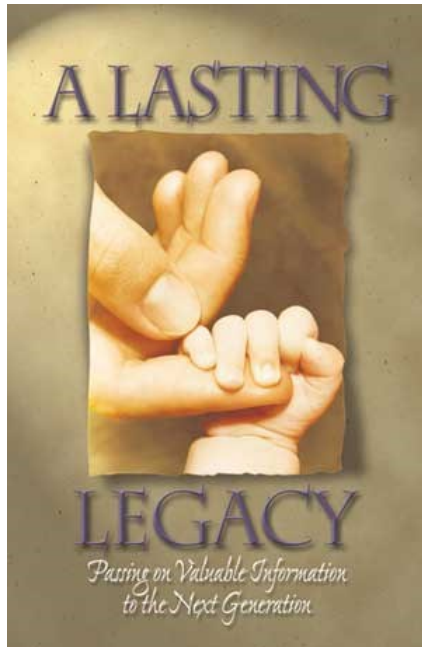


*As we remember  
at each worship service:*

*We give thee but thine own:  
What e'er the gift may be:  
All that we have is thine alone:  
A trust, O Lord, from thee.*

*William W. Howe 1864*



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*Remember*



*May he accept all your offerings  
and be pleased with all your  
sacrifices.*

*(Psalms 20:3 GNB)*



### *A will forces us to face our mortality.*

A family members' death is made even more difficult though for our loved ones if we have not prepared a will. Even if our assets are not of great monetary value, they have an enormous amount of sentimental value. Failing to plan for the transfer of your assets can cause confusion and frustration for your family and could result in increased expense for your estate.

### *From early childhood onward...*

We are taught to leave the world in a better place than when we first found it - environmentally, culturally, and spiritually. A bequest to the church will honor the past, sustain the present and nurture our future.

### *You may have an opportunity...*

To support your church by leaving a bequest - a donation to the Amery Congregational United Church of Christ. A bequest to a church is a precious gift. It is a legacy for generations to come, so that they may experience the comfort and spirituality and support of the church you have so well known.



### *A bequest to the church ...*

Is simply an allocation from your estate (the sum of all of your assets, including property you own, insurance policies, CD's , retirement accounts, cash, etc.) through your last will and testament.



*"But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able to make this freewill offering? For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you.*

*(1 Chronicles 29:14 NRSV)*

### *For each bequest...*

You must use specific language to indicate the direction of your assets and to successfully carry out your wishes. You should always review the terms and conditions of your will with a professional advisor, well versed in these matters.

### *There are different kinds of bequests*

- A specific percentage of your estate
- A specific dollar amount
- The remainder of your estate after expenses and gifts to your family
- A real estate trust with lifetime use by a member or members of your family
- A specific asset (house, stocks, coin collection, etc.)
- A contingent gift (a portion of your estate if your name beneficiary does not survive you)

Any of these bequests may be made for a limited or specific purpose (youth activities, buildings, grounds, programmatic endeavors, etc.)

### *Thank You for Remembering...*