

**MEMORIAL SERVICE
RUGGLES CAMP AND RETREAT CENTER
July 25, 2002
10:30 A.M.**

Gathering

Greeting

Hymn "When The Roll Is Called" 42

Call to Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray:

O God, who gave us birth, You are ever more ready to hear than we are to pray. You know our needs before we ask, and our ignorance in asking. Give to us now Your grace, that as we shrink before the mystery of death, we may see the light of eternity. Speak to us once more Your solemn message of life and of death. Help us to live as those who are prepared to die. And when our days here are accomplished, enable us to die as those who go forth to live, so that living or dying, our life may be in You, and that nothing in life or in death will be able to separate us from Your great love in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Confession and Pardon

Holy God, before You our hearts are open, and from You no secrets are hidden. We bring to You now our shame and sorrow for our sins. We have often forgotten that our life is from You and unto You. We have neither sought nor done

Your will. We have not been truthful in our hearts, in our speech, in our lives. We have not loved as we ought to love. Help us and heal us, raising us from our sins into a better life, that we may end our days in peace, trusting in Your kindness unto the end; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, Christ who died for us, who rose for us, who reigns at God's right hand and prays for us. Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Psalm 130

Out of the depths I cry unto Thee, O Lord! Lord, hear my cry. Let Thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications. If Thou, Lord should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with Thee, that Thou may be feared. I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in His word do I hope. My soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning. O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord is great mercy. With Him is plenteous redemption, and He will redeem Israel from all their sins.

Hymn "The Old Rugged Cross" 12

Scripture Reading

Message

*We Gratefully Remember Our Dead

***Response:**

Leader: Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation or distress, or persecution or famine, or nakedness or peril or sword?

People:

No! In all things we are more than conquerors through the One who loved us. We are sure that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, or anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Thanks be to God! Amen.

