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The Most Reverend Sean Rowe
Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church

Dear Bishop Sean and friends in Christ in The Episcopal Church,

It has been heartbreakingly clear for us, your northern neighbours, to watch the growing unrest that has arisen and persists in so many of your communities in the United States. We have seen and heard alarming stories of aggression, intimidation and harassment toward targeted communities and individuals, and the dehumanization of those perceived to not belong. We have seen images of violence, brutality and even death for those willing to challenge these actions and call out for justice.

We have also seen the ways your church has acted with faith and resilience in response to the call of the Gospel to serve those in need, welcome those who seek hospitality, feed the hungry—and challenge those who abuse power. You remind all who seek to follow the way of Jesus that high cost and risks are sometimes required.

Jesus taught that those who hunger and thirst for righteousness are blessed. We want you to know that your courageous words and actions in the face of disturbing and dangerous challenges are themselves a blessing, and we want you to know that you are not alone.

Be assured that my prayers join with those offered across the Anglican Church of Canada—prayers for protection, courage and peace. We are upholding you. We also uphold our full communion partners in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the Moravian Church in North America as they serve the Gospel in this time of distress for your country.

I am sharing this letter publicly to encourage Canadian Anglicans to continue holding in prayer all of you in this intense, unpredictable season in the life of the United States of America.

We remain steadfast with you in our shared belief in the indestructible hope of the Resurrection, that love and peace will prevail, that healing can happen, and that God will make all things new.

Yours faithfully,

The Most Rev. Shane Parker
Archbishop and Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada