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My dear brothers and sisters in Christ

This is a difficult letter for me to write, but as I prepare to enter my 13th year of Episcopal ministry I have, through prayerful discernment, realized that it is time for me to leave. Therefore with a great sense of both sadness and thanksgiving for my time with you, I will be stepping down as of July 31st, 2020. I am deeply grateful for your love, your prayers and the ministry we have shared but there is a season for everything and the season for a new Bishop to lead the Diocese is now upon us.

During my time as your Bishop I have done my best to focus us on looking outward into the world and concentrate on discipleship and the mission of Christ's church. I love you deeply and will miss you terribly. It has been my great joy to see us step out in faith in new areas of ministry and to dive more deeply into our role as Disciples of Christ. I will cherish the memories of my parish visits, the many confirmations, ordinations and synods that we have shared.

In the coming weeks we will circulate materials that explain the process of electing the 11th Bishop of Edmonton. There are so many things I would like to say and give thanks for, but for now, please know that I have felt so blessed to be your Bishop and to play my part in the councils of the church on your behalf.

I do not know what God may have in store for me in the future, but I commit myself to serving Him with a joyful heart whatever his plan may be. I will remember you in my daily prayers as we navigate this time of transition and I ask that you might do the same for me and for my family.

In Christ

The Right Reverend Jane Alexander
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