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The Episcopal Diocese of Utah

The Rt. Rev. Scott B. Hayashi

As the Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Utah, I applaud that the Congress of The United States certified the election of Joseph Biden and Kamala Harris to be our President and Vice President. I am eagerly awaiting the Inauguration on January 20, 2021.

I have been and continue to be sorely distressed at events that took place Wednesday in Washington and at Capitols in some of the states, including Utah. Emotions and feelings of anger in themselves are not bad. We all experience them. What is important is what we do with them. As a follower of Jesus, I will be using mine to further motivate me to continue working and praying for peace, compassion and justice in our nation and world.

"Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Scott B. Hayashi".

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