

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Grace and peace to you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

As we embark on this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal, I invite you to take the opportunity to reflect on our theme: "Pilgrims of Hope: Rooted in Prayer and Mission." These words are grounded in the ancient promise of the prophet Isaiah:

"O Lord, you grant peace to those who are steadfast because of their trust in you. Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord is an eternal rock."

Isaiah 26:3-4

In a world often marked by restlessness and uncertainty, we, the People of God, are called to be pilgrims of hope, anchored not in fleeting comforts but in the steadfast love and faithfulness of God. Our journey begins in prayer, where we encounter the peace of Christ. From that place of peace, we encounter God's hope. And from His hope, we are sent on mission.

The Bishop's Annual Appeal is not simply a fundraiser. It is a communal act of discipleship and a visible expression of our shared mission. Together, through your generous gifts, we sustain the many ministries that serve our youth, care for the vulnerable, accompany those discerning vocations, form lay leaders, and bring the Gospel to life in every corner of our diocese.

None of this is possible without you. Your prayers, your faith, and your witness are essential. Together, let us show the world what it means to be the Church rooted in love, walking together, trusting in the Lord, and offering ourselves in service.

As disciples united in faith and inspired by hope, let us be the example the world needs. May we continue this pilgrimage with firm purpose, allowing our trust in the Lord to guide us, our prayer to sustain us, and our mission to inspire others. With deep gratitude for your continued generosity and fidelity to the mission of the Church, I assure you of my prayers and blessings.

I conclude with an exhortation from St. Paul to the Romans: "*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.*" (Romans 15: 13)

Sincerely in Christ,

+ *Mark Hagemoen*
✠ Bishop Mark Hagemoen



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All Prayers will be given to Sr. Malou and her Prayer Group to include in their prayers.

Prayer Intention: _____
