

Spring 2024 Confirmation

Reading 1

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

Isaiah 11:1-4ab

On that day, a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse,
and from his roots a bud shall blossom.

The spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him:

a spirit of wisdom and of understanding,
a spirit of counsel and of strength,
a spirit of knowledge and of fear of the Lord,
and his delight shall be the fear of the Lord.

Not by appearance shall he judge,
nor by hearsay shall he decide,
but he shall judge the poor with justice,
and decide aright for the land's afflicted.

The Word of the Lord.

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Reading 2

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Acts 19: 1b-6a

Paul came to Ephesus where he found some disciples.

He said to them,

“Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?”

They answered him,

“We have never even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.”

He said, “How were you baptized?”

They replied, “With the baptism of John.”

Paul then said,

“John baptized with a baptism of repentance,
telling the people to believe in the one who was to come
after him,
that is, in Jesus.”

When they heard this,

they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

And when Paul laid his hands on them,

the Holy Spirit came upon them.

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Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

John 14:23-26

Jesus said to his disciples:

“Whoever loves me will keep my word,
and my Father will love him,
and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him.
Whoever does not love me does not keep my words;
yet the word you hear is not mine
but that of the Father who sent me.

“I have told you this while I am with you.
The Advocate, the Holy Spirit
that the Father will send in my name—
he will teach you everything
and remind you of all that I told you.”

The Gospel of the Lord.