

Building the Bridge Between an Arrest and a Trail

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was the Light of the world and the darkness has not overcome it. So begins John's Gospel. As we have been reading through the story of Jesus in John's Gospel, we might remember the back and forth between light and darkness, night and day.

Nicodemus comes under the cover of darkness to see Jesus. The Samaritan woman encounters Jesus in the light of day.

Last Sunday, we read that Jesus was arrested in the darkness of night. Now it is daybreak, just after the cockcrow that marks Peter's denial of Jesus. As the dawn breaks, we find Jesus, bound as a criminal before the most powerful figure in that region, Pontius Pilate, who represents the Roman Empire.

Here is where we find ourselves this morning. Let's listen and see what light might be shed on the truth of this story...