

hard ending

it's raining

and I think of you
not so soundly tucked away
as I wanted to

the sun smiles

and my soul jumps
forgetting, for a spot,
that we are not

a full moon

reroutes my blood
lowers my lids
and sighs-it's done

the news, a word
a sound unheard
a wish demurred
our nest, no bird
nor feather lost
or fragment, tossed
eggshells beheld
our souls embossed

with fresh resolve
honorable fuel
life's gray guide
this heart crushing rule

Depression

Hate is too mild a concept
a word nowhere near
the mass of turmoil
dug deep and writhing

no, let's not pretty this up
no one likes to
see this, hear this
share this or wear this
ugly is not a place
where hordes queue up
(taking cuts) for a piece
peace is a fine color
not thread bare and raw
calm is near the happy
weaving a fine life
if met expectations
honest work
morals in place
laurels forthcoming

find me a trophy for
getting stuck
where last place
is not as kind
as giving up
high fives
for a sadness
that no one wants
and the winner has
none

there is a place
unmapped yet
too often visited
unintentionally
by good people

who can't find their way out

with little light, they lose their bearings
so twisted and sticky, they forget
who they are
or why

voices are muffled
loved ones, steadfast but fading, trying to understand
stand
aside, swallowing their own careful fears

still

a heartbeat,
louder than the night
pounding a code
lub dub lub luv
a sigh that grows
into a memory of someone
well known, familiar
safe
a sigh that is a cough, breath
a bellow
safe
enough air to fill the sails
of impossibility

that first ragged step of return

because

It's only a whirred
word
worrd
lumps of letters
worried
reed drier
deed, dear

deed
is peep
if you approach it askew
I'll ask you
if you
did bib
and
you
yew
hew whenever
the
idea
of an ide
suits your
plain plan and
fancy

until knowing
and overstanding
overstating and sated
are quite the cute
cut and quietly
humming an answer
in melodious dollops
of unrepentant
sloppy songs
of tomorrow
no worry
just words
can't hurt