

At The Parish House

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The Poets and Their Poems

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Capture lightning in a bottle
And save it for a rainy day
A woeful
Willful
Waning of a day
A day of no regrets
Steal past the middle distance
To a long horizon
Lone in its majesty
Where the sun goes to sleep
And the moon awakens
Ever near
Forever far
Leave traces
For us
So that we may follow to the
New world
Find solace upon the journey
But go not alone
Into the Hinterlands
Take all that you have learned
In this life
And may they be your company
Compatriots in arms

Of this existence
Sing
When silence becomes
Unbearable
But Know you are not
Alone on this road
Only temporarily devoid of others
They too walk
To find
To seek
To find once more
To question
And to begin again
Finding pebbles along the way
To place in a pocket
And let the weight
Be the ballast
To keep an even keel
Know this
The road ends where you
Decide to stop
And when you have found this place
Open the bottle
Release the lightning
Listen to the rain
And chase the butterflies