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° a ' andante tiptoe soft speak kingdom to your soul but you can, fold grace into the work of your hands knot-bowls, beauty is simple : a seamstress with her heirlooms

grandfather, calligraphy ink fish; they silver under. the moonshine in alignment with tarp and the sliver of a dripping sun a water colour nocturne.

winter migrants belles-lettres , the ceramics of earthenwares—glass slippery . on tile, mothers crosslegged sit + mould soft-paste into minute symmetries music ; floating princess silk cloaks over a translucent pond

summertimes we cough up umpteen tiny yellow blooms. our leaf-hearts startle. the six-hours we sleep are threadbare.

my brother has piano glitter on his heart windowsill rain

 $|\ \ rapt.$ tap. the sky is making things . exquisite things .

blink fast eyelash / fluttering like two sets of wings, *ischnura* wings, quivering in the uninterrupted the hourglass is still a steady dripping-down of ice crystals . you can catch them as you might a bus, breathlessly and in awe . of something so moving and routine there is nothing like it .

lichen birch root

i shape my prayer into an earthenworn jar oil cross

there is a chance of storm but not where the children are x-rays of a dry desert

heat they twist into knots, leave wilted, press flat against the back bones in their neck

mud weaves a tapestry reverie.

mother, how did you hold space within yourself for someone else?

daughter of giù arco

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demiflat / interval

(chorus)

daffodils ppp sway in the breeze like dandelion seeds

coral rose, it is the cold aglow.

in your reflection the cello an ice-crushed crescendo on the curb you are younger

breathless; small hem of a gold-brocade cashmere sweater-warm.

from the side of the carriageway even the hills roll into the rubble

there is an almond-flower-bud tucked into the corner of your right shoe white relaced platform

grief is thoughtful

a wreath of staccato drip drop the sky is only as tall as the pink-tinge tree semiquaver crowns

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¹ Faodil, translated from Scottish Gaelic as 'a lucky find.'