

for Shifra Zipporah Goldenberg

in the rhythm
of the moon rhythm
moon rhythm of moon
davar
never means
merely, o early liturgy
memory's going out in the earliest light
in the *yod* at the *head* breathing *sod*
or Hear what you see
a moon in the mouth of Eudora Welty
a grape from a vine fed from a spoon of silver
sliver of a letter
new moon
to new moon
interims when a Jew
of memory most sound all but pronounces
the holy unpronounceable
fourfold mind
a Quire as it were lunar so
enfolded in my sister
whose name
in translation means
liturgically
o bird of utmost beauty

for Rico Owen Moore

piper, wherever

furnishing seems wanting

bring your flute to sound

evolving

the canyon wren reckoning round

call it challapeño love dwelling. *Raise it*

again, man. We still believe what we hear.