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Rabbit Rabbit

This morning
in the inky dawn
you whispered
rabbit rabbit
and rolled over
into the comfort
of another
lucky month.

As if life
is a roll
of the dice
and rabbits
run the tables
clearing all bets
just before midnight,
setting a new clock
for those who
believe in destiny
delivered in the night

Elizabeth McCarthy lives in an old farmhouse in northern Vermont with her husband where they raised two children, several generations of free roaming hens and made numerous attempts at keeping honey bees. At age fifty, she returned to college, earning a Master of Arts in Teaching then taught in Vermont public schools and at the Community College of Vermont before retiring in 2018. She turned to poetry in March of 2020, when the pandemic closed the world down and time became a windfall and she joined the online poetry group, the Lockdown Poets of Aberdeen, Scotland.