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We come to adore
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for Quinn Brandt, born March 24, 2013

Maundy Thursday, redbuds frenetic

with their magenta boogiewoogie

a host of white

sleeves the two plums outside

our window

the purple

sash hung

on the cross in front of the Pentecostal church

a cape.

Surely power

of life

over

death

trumps

any way with train or joker or whathaveyou.

It is

not comic colors

nor cool cars

we come to adore

but the thrill of

fresh mulch on a March morning

the first strawberry greenly anticipated

the pig's fat flirting

fangling new the lacy hems of collard, mustard, kale

Quinn Amelia four days old

some voices gather

for a last supper for a closer walk

around vowels soft and consonants swift Yeshua, Jesus, Lord

thank you for this life

again and again and again