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Waterfall, Sounding

in this mountain stream, a pounding
fluent light—sleek, wet, curving—
pours ever new, never ending,
an insistent lustrous rush over
the dark rock drop.

It reveals itself as life does—
this and this, and then this and this—
emerging from primal fecundity
into tumult, into grace.

Its coursing braids together
reverence, dread, wonder.
How can I help but
bow in all directions?

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