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The Month of March

*"The month of March is God's gift to people who don't drink—
so they will know what a hangover is."*

Garrison Keillor

When I open our front door
on any day in March,
I wonder what will greet me.
A soft breeze wafting toward me...
or a gusty wind howling at me?
A gentle lamb curled on the door step....
or a roaring lion ready to pounce on me?
More winter...or a slight hint of spring?

It's a bi-polar month
and I have to live with it each day.
All of life boiled down into 31 days...
tragedy or comedy or something in between...
What will it be?

I don't drink enough to have a hangover
so I am grateful to March for its gift.
I keep a snow shovel by the door
and a bucket of sand too,
But I also open the door
and see our garden rows under a blanket of snow
waiting for warmth
and seeds
and hope.

John Morris
East Corinth, Vermont



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