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Fingernails caked with dirt,
she cups sweet flesh:
“This is the shape of apple,
taste and be wise.”

She cups sweet flesh:
“This is the shape of woman,
taste and be wise.”
Dark is the shaping.

“This is the shape of woman.”
Caverns cradle the growing.
Dark is the shaping.
She tickles the ground with fire.

Caverns cradle the growing.
Bruising fruit turns to loam.
She tickles the ground with fire.
Black earth sprouts a garden.

Bruising fruit turns to loam.
Fingernails caked with dirt,
black Earth sprouts a garden:
“This is the shape of goodness.”

—Sara Klassen