THE POWER TO PRAISE

How could I glorify almighty God?
He has a psalmist He anointed king,
Has chroniclers and choirs of angels shod
In fire-tongued sandals, has a star-strung ring
Of sun-robed saints. Their worthy lyrics bounce
Off planets, carom off magnetic poles
As all of Heaven's harmonies announce
His majesty, His omnipresent roles.

I am, poor poet, bound by common words; No Herbert, Hopkins, Donne, I'm hostage to Banality in everything I do. And yet sometimes I'm borne as if by birds: He leads me, lets me make a worthy choice Of verse-- to honor Him with my small voice.

--Glenna Holloway