

The logo for 'Hungryhearts' features a stylized yellow flame or heart shape on the left, with the word 'Hungry' in black and 'hearts' in yellow, both in a sans-serif font.

Hungryhearts

TWO MOTHERS
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On the edge of this tangled crowd
I stand between infant headstones near

your newborn's grave, my arms
circled around my full belly.

You sit in white beneath a canopy
in the bright center of grief. Our friends

weep. They are knots of sorrow
around you. The sky is cloudless

today. In my tiny sea the cord floats
in ordered folds. Beneath

my unborn baby's head my fingers
form a fragile braid. On this hill

cluttered with the markers of unsafe passage,
I feel my child stir. I am sorry

for these small steps away from you.
I turn toward the sloped road.