

On Bethel Pond

Thoreau self discovered by his Walden

Fonda and Hepburn joy aged their Golden

For each their living ever beholden

To the beauty of a Pond

And with me as I silently gaze

At reflections of life and a living way

And trees gently breezed coaxed wave

At beauty on my Bethel Pond

Ducks inline gliding turtles sunning
Kingfisher raucous calling
Drops of rain add ripples running
On the beauty of Bethel Pond

Come rest with me enrich our time
Imbibe a glass of elderberry wine
Gather our living peace sublime
Baptized in beauty of Bethel Pond

Forever rest is our fate some day

The reaper never held at bay

And then dear friend, our souls will play
In the beauty of Bethel Pond

Don Adams

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