

The Wilder Wise

THUMPERS

warm in the back
your windows high
silver trees are ghosting by
and constellations beyond them
trilogies and cornerstones tell me beliefs
tell me namesakes live on
hung up as corals and lights
they'll roll and glide
on their stage like an ocean
and grow us up in their tides
wilder wise
bare your claws and climb
celestial
we're callow, caught in your skies
wilder wise
bare your claws and climb
we draw up lines
call comets down
we gather planets, pour them out
in the shapes that we know
in the markers that we use to find home
but the lines pull faces
the lights dance selfless
beyond outer limits
and shore us up for our rites
we brand our backs and throw our arms wide
hydra
carina
serpens
lynx
orion
corvus
auriga
and sunson, bare your claws and climb

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