Tasting Braille

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People can ... read Braille with their lips and their tongue ...
— David J. Linden, *The Kojo Nnamdi Show*

Whitman is a foot-long sub
of grass-fed beef,
Falstaff, a fat onion ring,
Ophelia, a wailing wine.
Judas Iscariot’s kiss
turns my lips against themselves.
Emily D makes my tongue
want to fly a kite.
The tongues of angels,
I cannot swallow.

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