“In The Beginning”

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In the be-GIN-ning was the Great Radiance
Four-teen billion years ago . . .
Out of the fireball came simple hydrogen
and HELIUM from that great glow

Gra–vi-ty swirled those gases into stars
White, yellow, blue-ooh, and red . . .
But NO DANCing planets till the birth of silicon
Calcium, iron, and lead

The first generations of an-cestor stars squeezed
Pri-mal gases into stone . . .
In-to Ox-y-gen and
In-to Ni-tro-gen
into-CAL-ci-um-for-ant-ler-and Bone

Then they expired and launched back into space
So-la-ter-gen-er-a-tions / of / stars-like-our-own-sun
could have PLA-NETS and maybe even life

We are made of stardust .. We are born from death
Greet your cou-sins who twink-le in the night . . .
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