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Between my country and the others,
as ministry

—after Emily Dickinson (F-40, #905)

I cannot hear your answer, sister,
but I know midsummer blooms. The bridge?
I'm crossing it with asters in hand—
modest gifts of sincere exchange.
I've come to sprig your country's paths with
forget-me-not blues, all hues
of hyacinth tolls and gentian dues.
Please open your door. I have changed.