

I Can

In Memory of Sandy Hook Elementary

Can you see them in the morning, they stumble from their beds,
rubbing sleepy little eyes and their hair tossed round their heads?

I can.

Catherine and Olivia, Daniel, Charlotte, Dylan, Grace,
Josephine and Madeleine, Jack, Ana, James and Chase.

Can You see them with their clothes on, some with jeans and a nice shirt
or some will wear boots with a dress and or a very pretty skirt?

I can.

Caroline and Avielle and Jesse, Noah, Benjamin,
Jessica, Emilie, Allison, each one wearing a big grin.

Can you see them running down the drive, catch the bus or min-van,
and fill classrooms full of laughter, playing catch me if you can?

Oh, I surely can!

They see Miss Anne and Miss Dawn, they see Miss Lauren too
and Miss Mary and Miss Vicki and Miss Rachel who is new.

Can you see them at the chalkboard, yearning just to teach,
finding some new lesson plan for a student they might reach?

I can.

Can you see that after darkness, there is the dawn of a new day,
nothing you can really do except drop to your knees and pray?

Can you know they run and play and laugh at the Master's feet
and know they're safely in His arms and will wait until you meet?

I can.