Thinking It Out

Someone else is thinking
out these lines

as I am thinking them
and I should know

that it is you, but do I?
Is it you

or someone other?
You cannot be sure

enough to answer me
or you would answer,

and I'd hear it
somewhere in the poem

that I am thinking out
as someone thinks

along with me. Who thinks
along with me?
It could be a third
person; someone other
than the both of us
(if you are here)
could say this as I say it,
pause this pause,
attempt, indeed, this
nearing, here, conclusion
which is not the end.
Someone has made it
not the end, and was it
you? In thinking
out these lines I think
that I am thinking
less and less and finding
more and more.

—Robin Skelton