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Dr. Lipscomb teaches English and Writing at Houghton College in western New York State. Her academic specialty is Victorian literature and she is particularly interested in how writers define and respond to the natural world. She teaches classes on Victorian literature and culture, environmental literature, and the poet Gerard Manley Hopkins. Her current writing project is a series of creative essays on the intersection of theology and art. At home, she works on growing as many things as possible in her quarter-acre backyard, including apples, cherries, raspberries, hazelnuts, blueberries, herbs, vegetables, and flowers. She also works on keeping her (at last count, three) backyard chickens as happy as possible. She teaches collaboratively with her husband in Houghton's interdisciplinary honors program. Along with their three children, in 2015 they fulfilled their family dream of taking a 10,000 mile road trip to see 12 national parks in the US and Canada.