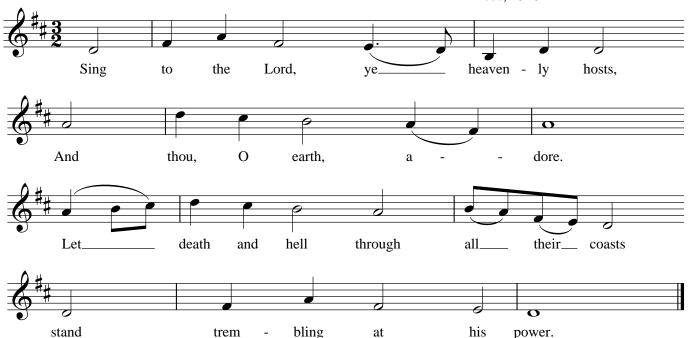
## Dunlap's Creek

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- 2. His sounding chariot shakes the sky, He makes the clouds His throne, There all his stores of lightning lie, Till vengeance dart them down.
- 3. His nostrils breathe out fiery streams, And from his awful tongue A sovereign voice divides the flames And thunder roars along.
- 4. Think, O my soul, the dreadful day When the incenséd God Shall rend the sky, and burn the sea, And fling His wrath abroad.
- 5. What shall the wretch, the sinner do?
  He once defied the Lord,
  But he shall dread the Thunderer now,
  And sink beneath His word.
- Tempests of angry fire shall roll
   To blast the rebel-worm,
   And beat upon his naked soul
   In one eternal storm.

## **Background Information**

Text by Isaac Watts. Tune attributed to Samuel McFarland. "Dunlap's Creek" is one of the best-known American folk-hymn tunes. The hymn was first printed in 1816 in *The Pittsburgh Selection of Psalm Tunes*, a compilation by John Armstrong, and the source of the present text. Dunlap's Creek rises in Fayette County near Uniontown and empties into the Monongahela River at Brownsville; Dunlap's Creek Presbyterian Church dates from 1774.