

Pierre La Plante

GATHERING PLACES

Three Spirituals for Band

INSTRUMENTATION

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| 1 – Conductor | 2 – F Horn 3 & 4 |
| 1 – Piccolo | 2 – Trombone 1 |
| 10 – Flute | 2 – Trombone 2 |
| 2 – Oboe | 2 – Trombone 3 |
| 2 – Bassoon | 2 – Euphonium TC |
| 4 – B♭ Clarinet 1 | 2 – Euphonium BC |
| 4 – B♭ Clarinet 2 | 4 – Tuba |
| 4 – B♭ Clarinet 3 | 1 – String Bass |
| 2 – E♭ Alto Clarinet
(E♭ CB Clarinet) | 1 – Timpani |
| 2 – B♭ Bass Clarinet
(B♭ CB Clarinet) | 3 – Mallet Percussion
<i>Vibraphone, Xylophone,
Bells</i> |
| 6 – E♭ Alto Saxophone 1 & 2 | 3 – Percussion I
<i>Snare Drum, Bass Drum</i> |
| 2 – B♭ Tenor Saxophone | 4 – Percussion II
<i>Suspended Cymbal, Crash
Cymbals, Triangle, Wood
Block, Tambourine</i> |
| 1 – E♭ Baritone Saxophone | |
| 3 – B♭ Trumpet 1 | |
| 3 – B♭ Trumpet 2 | |
| 3 – B♭ Trumpet 3 | |
| 2 – F Horn 1 & 2 | |

Gathering Places

The commissioning of *Gathering Places* by the Page High School Band coincided with the planning and establishment of the International Civil Rights Center and Museum in Greensboro, North Carolina, at the site of the famous sit-in at the dawn of the 1960's civil rights movement.

In February of 1960, four young black men from a local university sat down at the "whites only" lunch counter of the Woolworth department store and asked to be served. Thus the "Greensboro Four" began the sit-ins that were to spread throughout the nation as part of the quest for equality and the rights of all people regardless of color or ethnic origin.

The music of the civil rights movement was largely drawn from folk tunes, spirituals, and old-timey Gospel and hymn tunes. So it seemed reasonable to base this piece on that musical heritage. While we most often associate spirituals with Afro-American song tradition, this piece also borrows from the lesser known white spirituals, often associated with the Protestant revival movement prevalent in the United States throughout the nineteenth century. These songs have a popular-folk-tune quality, often pentatonic in nature, that is quite different from European hymns and anthems.

The tunes used (in order) are:

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship, attributed to William Moore (1825)

Shall We Gather at the River, Robert Lowry (1864)

A Great Camp-Meeting in the Promised Land ("Walk Together Children, Don't You Get Weary"), anonymous Afro-American spiritual

The three tunes were deliberately chosen for their titles and verses, which evoke the imagery of gathering—of coming together as brothers and sisters—in church, at the river, and in the Big Tent. We are reminded (believer and non-believer alike) that in a time of change and diversity we need to respect our differences and each other's rights and live in harmony as best we can.

You may visit the Web site for the International Civil Rights Center and Museum at <http://www.sitinmovement.org>

Performance Notes

There should be a feeling of motion, without rushing, during the first two movements of the piece (measures 6 and 45). The tempo at 6 should have a slight feeling of urgency to contrast with the freer and more dreamlike introduction. The finale (measure 88) should be rhythmic and exuberant but not overblown. Avoid the temptation to go "Hollywood" in the final measures.

The piece is appropriate for contest, concert, any formal occasion, or for programs associated with Black History Month or Martin Luther King Day.

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Freely, In a Quiet Manner

$\text{J} = 76 +/-$

This section of the musical score includes parts for Piccolo, Flutes, Oboe, Bassoon, B♭ Clarinet 1, B♭ Clarinet 2 & 3, E♭ Alto Clarinet (E♭ C.B.), B♭ Bass Clarinet (C.B.), Alto Saxophone 1 & 2, Tenor Saxophone, and Baritone Saxophone. The music is in common time, key signature is B♭ major (two flats). The first measure shows Piccolo, Flutes, and Bassoon playing eighth-note patterns. Measures 2 and 3 show various woodwind instruments taking turns with eighth-note patterns. Measure 4 begins with a 'Div.' instruction for B♭ Clarinet 1, followed by entries from B♭ Clarinet 2 & 3, E♭ Alto Clarinet, B♭ Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone 1 & 2, Tenor Saxophone, and Baritone Saxophone.

With Resolve (Steady Tempo)

"Brethren, We Have Met To Worship"

$\text{J} = 76 +/-$

(stagger breath) 8 (p)

Cls. 2,3 soli

mp

Freely, In a Quiet Manner

$\text{J} = 76 +/-$

This section of the musical score includes parts for Trumpet 1 in B♭, Trumpet 2 & 3 in B♭, F Horn 1 & 2, F Horn 3 & 4, Trombone 1 & 2, Trombone 3, Euphonium, Tuba, and String Bass. The music is in common time, key signature is B♭ major (two flats). Measures 1-3 show sustained notes from various brass instruments. Measure 4 begins with a 'soli' instruction for F Horn 1 & 2, followed by entries from F Horn 3 & 4, Trombone 1 & 2, Trombone 3, Euphonium, Tuba, and String Bass.

With Resolve (Steady Tempo)

soli

mp

soli

mp

Freely, In a Quiet Manner

$\text{J} = 76 +/-$

This section of the musical score includes parts for Timpani, Mallet Percussion (Vibraphone, Xylophone, Bells), Percussion I (Snare Dr., Bass Dr.), and Percussion II (Suspended Cym., Crash Cyms., Triangle, Wood Block, Tambourine). The music is in common time, key signature is B♭ major (two flats). Measures 1-3 show sustained notes from Timpani and Mallet Percussion. Measure 4 begins with a 'Vibes (motor off)' instruction, followed by entries from Percussion I and Percussion II.

With Resolve (Steady Tempo)

Vibes (motor off)

I.v.

p

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Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2 & 3

A. Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1 & 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2 & 3

Hn. 1 & 2

Hn. 3 & 4

Tbn. 1 & 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tba.

S. Bass

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

dim.

Play

mp

mp

dim.

dim.

mp

mp

1.v.

mp

13

Picc.

Fl.

Ob. *mp*

Bsn. *mp*

Cl. 1 *mp*

Cl. 2&3 *mp*

A. Cl. *mp*

B. Cl. *mp*

A. Sax. 1 & 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax. *mp*

13

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2 & 3

Hn. 1 & 2 *mp*

Hn. 3 & 4 *mp*

Tbn. 1 & 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tba.

S. Bass

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

21 22 25

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn. sim.
f poco marc.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2&3

A. Cl.

B. Cl. Bassoon sim.
f poco marc.

A. Sax. 1 & 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax. sim.
f poco marc.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2 & 3

Hn. 1 & 2

Hn. 3 & 4

Tbn. 1 & 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tba.

S. Bass arco>
f poco marc.

22 25

Bells
f

Perc. 1 poco f

Perc. 2

38 Slower, Freely (quasi rubato).... $\text{♩} = 62$

Slowing off.....diminishing.....

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2&3

A. Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1 & 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

38 Slower, Freely (quasi rubato).... $\text{♩} = 62$

Slowing off.....diminishing.....

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2 & 3

Hn. 1 & 2

Hn. 3 & 4

Tbn. 1 & 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tba.

S. Bass

Timpani

Mallets

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

38 Slower, Freely (quasi rubato).... $\text{♩} = 62$

Slowing off.....diminishing.....

44 Peaceful, Flowing ($\text{♩} = 68-72$)

Picc.

Fl. *espress.*

Ob. *espress.*

Bsn. *p* *espress.*

Cl. 1 *soli* *p* *espress.*

Cl. 2 & 3 *p* *espress.*

A. Cl. *p* *espress.*

B. Cl. *p* *espress.*

A. Sax. 1 & 2 *soli* *p* *espress.*

T. Sax. *soli* *p* *espress.*

B. Sax. *p* *espress.*

44 Peaceful, Flowing ($\text{♩} = 68-72$)

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2 & 3 *p*

Hn. 1 & 2 *p* *espress. e sos.*

Hn. 3 & 4 *p* *espress. e sos.*

Tbn. 1 & 2 *p*

Tbn. 3 *p*

Euph. *p* *espress.* *div. ad lib*

Tba. *p* *espress. e sos.* *p*

S. Bass *p* *espress.*

44 Peaceful, Flowing ($\text{♩} = 68-72$)

Tim. *Bells*

Mal. *p* *dolce*

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

49

"Shall We Gather At The River"

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2&3

A. Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1 & 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

This section of the musical score contains ten staves for woodwind instruments. From top to bottom: Picc., Fl., Ob., Bsn., Cl. 1, Cl. 2&3, A. Cl., B. Cl., A. Sax. 1 & 2, and T. Sax. The instrumentation includes Flutes, Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinet 1, Clarinets 2 & 3, Alto Clarinet, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone 1 & 2, and Tenor Saxophone. The music consists of six measures. Measure 1: Flutes play eighth-note patterns. Measure 2: Flute 1 plays eighth-note patterns, while Flute 2 and Oboe play sustained notes. Measure 3: Flute 1 continues eighth-note patterns, while Flute 2 and Oboe play sustained notes. Measures 4-5: Flute 1 continues eighth-note patterns, while Flute 2 and Oboe play sustained notes. Measure 6: Flute 1 continues eighth-note patterns, while Flute 2 and Oboe play sustained notes. Dynamics include *p* (piano) and *Div.* (divisi).

49

Soli

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2 & 3

Hn. 1 & 2

Hn. 3 & 4

Tbn. 1 & 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tba.

S. Bass

This section of the musical score contains eight staves for brass and bass instruments. From top to bottom: Tpt. 1, Tpt. 2 & 3, Hn. 1 & 2, Hn. 3 & 4, Tbn. 1 & 2, Tbn. 3, Euph., and Tba. The instrumentation includes Trombones, Horns, Bass Trombones, Double Bass, and Tubas. The music consists of six measures. Measure 1: Trombones play eighth-note patterns. Measure 2: Trombones play eighth-note patterns. Measure 3: Trombones play eighth-note patterns. Measure 4: Trombones play eighth-note patterns. Measure 5: Trombones play eighth-note patterns. Measure 6: Trombones play eighth-note patterns. Dynamics include *mp* (mezzo-forte), *soli*, and *p* (piano).

49

Tim.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

This section of the musical score contains four staves for timpani, mallets, and percussion. The instrumentation includes Timpani, Mallets, and two Percussion instruments. The music consists of six measures. Measure 1: Timpani and Mallets play sustained notes. Measure 2: Timpani and Mallets play sustained notes. Measure 3: Timpani and Mallets play sustained notes. Measure 4: Timpani and Mallets play sustained notes. Measure 5: Timpani and Mallets play sustained notes. Measure 6: Timpani and Mallets play sustained notes. Dynamics include *p* (piano) and *p* (piano).

55

57

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2&3

A. Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1 & 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2 & 3

Hn. 1 & 2

Hn. 3 & 4

Tbn. 1 & 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tba.

S. Bass

Timp.

Mal.

Vibes (on)

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

57

mf

p

57

mf

a2

mf

f

mf

p

57

61

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2&3

A. Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1 & 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

61

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2 & 3

Hn. 1 & 2

Hn. 3 & 4

Tbn. 1 & 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tba.

S. Bass

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Vibes (on) and Bells:

mp cresc.

67

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2&3

A. Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1 & 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

67

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2 & 3

Hn. 1 & 2

Hn. 3 & 4

Tbn. 1 & 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tba.

S. Bass

67

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

67 f sonore l.v.

f (non troppo) sonore

78

Rit...poco a poco.....sempre dim.....

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2&3

A. Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1 & 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2 & 3

Hn. 1 & 2

Hn. 3 & 4

Tbn. 1 & 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tba.

S. Bass

Tim.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

82

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2&3

A. Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1 & 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2 & 3

Hn. 1 & 2

Hn. 3 & 4

Tbn. 1 & 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tba.

S. Bass

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

87 Lively, Rhythmic $\text{J} = 100-106$

"A Great Camp-Meeting In The Promised Land"

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2&3

A. Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1 & 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

mp leggiere

(All) mp leggiere

mp leggiere

Bari Sax cue

1st mp leggiere

87 Lively, Rhythmic $\text{J} = 100-106$

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2 & 3

Hn. 1 & 2

Hn. 3 & 4

Tbn. 1 & 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tba.

S. Bass

mp leggiere

mp leggiere

mp

mp

87 Lively, Rhythmic $\text{J} = 100-106$

Timp.

Xylo (solo)

pp

Mal.

mp leggiere

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Pr. sticks in one hand on side of drum

mp

92

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2&3

A. Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1 & 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2 & 3

Hn. 1 & 2

Hn. 3 & 4

Tbn. 1 & 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tba.

S. Bass

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

113

Picc.

Fl.

Ob. *p*

Bsn.

Cl. 1 *p*

Cl. 2&3 a3 *p*

A. Cl.

B. Cl. *p*

A. Sax. 1 & 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

This musical score page shows measures 113 for a symphony. The instrumentation includes Piccolo, Flute, Oboe (dynamic p), Bassoon, Clarinet 1 (dynamic p), Clarinets 2&3 (dynamic a3), Alto Clarinet, Bass Clarinet (dynamic p), Alto Saxophone 1 & 2, Tenor Saxophone, and Bass Saxophone. The music consists of two systems of staves. The first system (measures 1-4) features woodwind entries with eighth-note patterns. The second system (measures 5-8) features brass entries with eighth-note patterns. Measure 8 concludes with a dynamic instruction 'p'.

113

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2 & 3

Hn. 1 & 2

Hn. 3 & 4

Tbn. 1 & 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tba.

S. Bass

This musical score page shows measures 113 for a symphony. The instrumentation includes Trumpet 1, Trumpets 2 & 3, Horns 1 & 2, Horns 3 & 4, Trombones 1 & 2, Trombone 3, Euphonium, Bass Trombone, Double Bass, and Bassoon. The music consists of two systems of staves. Both systems show rests for all instruments throughout the entire measure, indicating a pause or a specific performance technique.

113

Timp.

Mal. *p* Bells >

Perc. 1

Perc. 2 *p* Tri >

This musical score page shows measures 113 for a symphony. The instrumentation includes Timpani, Mallets (dynamic p), Percussion 1, and Percussion 2. The music consists of two systems of staves. The first system (measures 1-4) features timpani and mallets. The second system (measures 5-8) features timpani, mallets, and a bell sound. Measures 8-9 conclude with a dynamic instruction 'p'.

121

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2&3

A. Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1 & 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

123

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2 & 3

Hn. 1 & 2

Hn. 3 & 4

Tbn. 1 & 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tba. solo or soli

S. Bass

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

123

Hns. *f*

f

f

f

f

f

f

mf

fp

(All)

arco

f

rs *f*

131

128

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2&3

A. Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1 & 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

131

131

131

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2 & 3

Hn. 1 & 2

Hn. 3 & 4

Tbn. 1 & 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tba.

S. Bass

pizz. *mp*

131

Tim.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Wood Block *p*

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147 Boldly (meno mosso) $\text{♩} = 98$

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2&3

A. Cl.

B. Cl.

Bsn. Cue

A. Sax. 1 & 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2 & 3

Hn. 1 & 2

Hn. 3 & 4

Tbn. 1 & 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tba.

S. Bass

(arco)

147 Boldly (meno mosso) $\text{♩} = 98$

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

161

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2&3

A. Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1 & 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

165

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2 & 3

Hn. 1 & 2

Hn. 3 & 4

Tbn. 1 & 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tba.

S. Bass

165

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

168

173

173

173

175

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2&3

A. Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1 & 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2 & 3

Hn. 1 & 2

Hn. 3 & 4

Tbn. 1 & 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tba.

S. Bass

Timp.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

(div.)

183 *Jubilant**Rit..... poco.... a..... poco.....*

Picc.

Fl.

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2&3

A. Cl.

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1 & 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

183 *Jubilant**Rit..... poco.... a..... poco.....*

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2 & 3

Hn. 1 & 2

Hn. 3 & 4

Tbn. 1 & 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tba.

S. Bass

183 *Jubilant**Rit..... poco.... a..... poco.....*

Tim.

Mal.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Crash C.

Tri.

Ritenuto (In Four) Circa ♩ = 112

190

Picc.
Fl.
Ob.
Bsn.
Cl. 1
Cl. 2&3
A. Cl.
B. Cl.
A. Sax. 1 & 2
T. Sax.
B. Sax.

Ritenuto (In Four) Circa ♩ = 112

Tpt. 1
Tpt. 2 & 3
Hn. 1 & 2
Hn. 3 & 4
Tbn. 1 & 2
Tbn. 3
Euph.
Tba.
S. Bass
Timp.
Mal.
Perc. 1
Perc. 2

trem.

Chimes Bells both

Chimes lower note

ff l.v. l.v. l.v. Chk

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Not valid for performance.