

God Bless America 2008 544

(4Trp; 2AltSx; 2TnrSx; 4Trmbn; BriSx; Rhythm)

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The musical score is arranged in a standard concert band format. It begins with a vocal line for Soprano Alto (SA) and Tenor Bass (TB) with the lyrics: "God bless A - mer - i - ca, Land that I love; Stand be". The instrumental parts include a Rhythm section (Guitar and Bass) with a melodic line in the bass and chords in the guitar. The brass section consists of four Trumpets (1 & 2, 3 & 4), two Alto Saxophones (1 & 2), two Tenor Saxophones (1 & 2), one Bari Saxophone, and four Trombones (1 & 2, 3, 4 or Tuba). The score features various musical notations such as triplets, slurs, and dynamic markings like *mf* and *f*. The key signature is one flat (B-flat major) and the time signature is 4/4.

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SA
side her and guide her Thru the night with a light from a-bove. From the moun - tains To the

TB

Rhythm

Bass

B \flat Gm7(5) F Dm7 G7 C7 F C7

mf

Trumpet 1 & 2

Trumpet 3 & 4

Alto Sax 1 & 2

Tenor Sax 1 & 2

Bari Sax

Trombone 1 & 2

Trombone 3

Trombone 4 or Tuba

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The score is for the 11th measure of the piece. It features the following parts:

- Vocalists (SA and TB):** Singing the lyrics: "prai - ries, To the o - ceans white with foam, God bless A - mer - i - ca, My".
- Rhythm and Bass:** Providing harmonic support with chords and a bass line. Chords include F, C7/G, C7, F, A^b7/G^b, E^b/G, F7/A, B^b, F/A, Gm, F, C/E, Dm, and Gm7.
- Trumpets (1 & 2, 3 & 4):** Playing a melodic line with accents and a forte (*f*) dynamic.
- Saxophones (Alto, Tenor, Bari):** Playing a melodic line with triplets and accents, also marked with a forte (*f*) dynamic.
- Trombones (1 & 2, 3, 4 or Tuba):** Playing a melodic line with triplets and accents, marked with a forte (*f*) dynamic.