

How's your Constitution?

Words & Music: Chris Rogers

$\text{♩} = 120$

Soprano

Alto

Tenor

Bass

Piano

$\text{♩} = 120$

mf

6

mf

S.

Twelve score years and ten a - go, a new na-tion was con-ceiv'd. We

mf

A.

Twelve score years and ten a - go, a new na-tion was con-ceiv'd. We

mf

T.

Twelve score years and ten a - go, a new na-tion was con-ceiv'd. We

mf

B.

Twelve score years and ten a - go, a new na-tion was con-ceiv'd. We

Pno.

p

10

S. need a re-pub-lic not a mon - ar - chy, it was com - mon - ly be - liev'd. The

A. need a re-pub-lic not a mon - ar - chy, it was com - mon - ly be - liev'd. The

T. need a re-pub-lic not a mon - ar - chy, it was com - mon - ly be - liev'd. The

B. need a re-pub-lic not a mon - ar - chy, it was com - mon - ly be - liev'd. The

Pno.

14

S. king of the day in his pa - lace far a-way did - n't care a-bout the U. S.

A. king of the day in his pa - lace far a-way did - n't care a-bout the U. S.

T. king of the day in his pa - lace far a-way did - n't care a-bout the U. S.

B. king of the day in his pa - lace far a-way did - n't care a-bout the U. S.

Pno.

17

S. A., So it all start-ed when some rich white men Got them-selves some

A. A., So it all start-ed when some rich white men Got them-selves some

T. A., So it all start-ed when some rich white men Got them-selves some

B. A., So it all start-ed when some rich white men Got them-selves some

Pno. *mf* *p*

21

S. pa-per and a pen and drew up a three-point plan. First came the

A. pa-per and a pen and drew up a three-point plan. First came the

T. pa-per and a pen and drew up a three-point plan. First came the

B. pa-per and a pen and drew up a three-point plan. First came the

Pno. *f* *p*

25

S. Congress, gen-tle-men e-lec-ted and true; They make the laws and

A. Congress, gen-tle-men e-lec-ted and true; They make the laws and

T. Congress, gen-tle-men e-lec-ted and true; They make the laws and

B. Congress, gen-tle-men e-lec-ted and true; They make the laws and

Pno. *mf* *p*

29

S. hold the purse, that's main-ly what they do. The sec-ond thing mus-tn't

A. hold the purse, that's main-ly what they do. The sec-ond thing mus-tn't

T. hold the purse, that's main-ly what they do. The sec-ond thing mus-tn't

B. hold the purse, that's main-ly what they do. The sec-ond thing mus-tn't

Pno. *f* *p*

33

S. be a king though we need some-thing of that kind. So let's in - vent the

A. be a king though we need some-thing of that kind. So let's in - vent the

T. be a king though we need some-thing of that kind. So let's in - vent the

B. be a king though we need some-thing of that kind. So let's in - vent the

Pno.

37

S. Pre - si - dent for what we have in mind. He gets four years to

A. Pre - si - dent for what we have in mind. He gets four years to

T. Pre - si - dent for what we have in mind. He gets four years to

B. Pre - si - dent for what we have in mind. He gets four years to

Pno.

41

S. do his worst If the mid-terms don't con - strain him first, But if he's mad or

A. do his worst If the mid-terms don't con - strain him first, But if he's mad or

T. do his worst If the mid-terms don't con - strain him first, But if he's mad or

B. do his worst If the mid-terms don't con - strain him first, But if he's mad or

Pno.

45

S. ve - ry, ve - ry bad and we have to — get him out. The

A. ve - ry, ve - ry bad and we have to get him out. The

T. ve - ry, ve - ry bad and we have to get him out. The

B. ve - ry, ve - ry bad and we have to get him out. The

Pno.

48

S. courts can - not reach him, but the Con - gress can im-peach him, Which they're

A. courts can - not reach him, but the Con - gress can im-peach him, Which they're

T. courts can - not reach him, but the Con - gress can im-peach him, Which they're

B. courts can - not reach him, but the Con - gress can im-peach him, Which they're

Pno.

50

S. not ve - ry good a - bout. _____ Con - gress and Pre - si-dent don't

A. not ve - ry good a - bout. _____ Con - gress and Pre - si-dent don't

T. not ve - ry good a - bout. _____ Con - gress and Pre - si-dent don't

B. not ve - ry good a - bout. _____ Con - gress and Pre - si-dent don't

Pno.

f

p

53

S. al - ways a-gree, So the third thing we need is a re - fer - ee. Nine top jud-ges make a

A. al - ways a-gree, So the third thing we need is a re - fer - ee. Nine top jud-ges make a

T. al - ways a-gree, So the third thing we need is a re - fer - ee. Nine top jud-ges make a

B. al - ways a-gree, So the third thing we need is a re - fer - ee. Nine top jud-ges make a

Pno.

57

S. court Su-preme; the mean-ing of the law is what they deem. *rall.* So *f*

A. court Su-preme; the mean-ing of the law is what they deem. *f* So

T. court Su-preme; the mean-ing of the law is what they deem. *f* So

B. court Su-preme; the mean-ing of the law is what they deem. *f* So

Pno. *rall.* *f* *mp*

61

S. proud - ly the rich white men pre - sent The i - deal form of

A. proud - ly the rich white men pre - sent The i - deal form of

T. proud - ly the rich white men pre - sent The i - deal form of

B. proud - ly the rich white men pre - sent The i - deal form of

Pno.

64

ff $\text{♩} = 120$

S. gov - ern - ment: By the peo - ple For the peo - ple Shall not

ff

A. gov - ern - ment: Of the peo - ple Shall not

ff

T. gov - ern - ment: By the peo - ple Shall not

ff

B. gov - ern - ment: Of the peo - ple Shall not

$\text{♩} = 120$

Pno. *f*

69 $\text{♩} = 120$

S. pe - rish from the earth. [Shout:] Li - ber - ty, De - mo - cra - cy, Slaves and hy - po - cri - sy.

A. pe - rish from the earth. [Shout:] Li - ber - ty, De - mo - cra - cy, Slaves and hy - po - cri - sy.

T. pe - rish from the earth. [Shout:] Li - ber - ty, De - mo - cra - cy, Slaves and hy - po - cri - sy.

B. pe - rish from the earth. [Shout:] Li - ber - ty, De - mo - cra - cy, Slaves and hy - po - cri - sy.

Pno. $\text{♩} = 120$

74 *mf*

S. U. S. A. U. S. A.

A. U. S. A. U. S. A.

T. U. S. A. U. S. A.

B. U. S. A. U. S. A.

Pno. *mf*

78 *mf*

S. The Con - sti - tu - tion worked quite well, but

A. *mf*
The Con - sti - tu - tion worked quite well, but

T. *mf*
The Con - sti - tu - tion worked quite well, but

B. *mf*
The Con - sti - tu - tion worked quite well, but

Pno. *p*

82

S. not al - ways as in - ten - ded, So the rich white men said, 'Sure as hell, it

A. not al - ways as in - ten - ded, So the rich white men said, 'Sure as hell, it

T. *8* not al - ways as in - ten - ded, So the rich white men said, 'Sure as hell, it

B. not al - ways as in - ten - ded, So the rich white men said, 'Sure as hell, it

Pno.

86

S. needs to be a - men - ded.' There are twen - ty - se - ven a - mend - ments to date,

A. needs to be a - men - ded.' There are twen - ty - se - ven a - mend - ments to date,

T. needs to be a - men - ded.' There are twen - ty - se - ven a - mend - ments to date,

B. needs to be a - men - ded.' There are twen - ty - se - ven a - mend - ments to date,

Pno.

90

S. Most of them small but some of them great. If you're vis - it - ing A - me - ri - ca, be - **rall.** - - - - -

A. Most of them small but some of them great. If you're vis - it - ing A - me - ri - ca, be -

T. Most of them small but some of them great. If you're vis - it - ing A - me - ri - ca, be -

B. Most of them small but some of them great. If you're vis - it - ing A - me - ri - ca, be -

Pno. **rall.** - - - - -

93 (rall.) ----- $\text{♩} = 120$

S. -fore you go, Here are a few you ought to know. The First A - mend-ment

A. -fore you go, Here are a few you ought to know. The First A - mend-ment

T. -fore you go, Here are a few you ought to know. The First A - mend-ment

B. -fore you go, Here are a few you ought to know. The First A - mend-ment

Pno. (rall.) ----- $\text{♩} = 120$

97

S. lets you speak free, Fla-ky new re-li - gion, wild con-spi - ra-cy, Truth, lies, a - li-ens,

A. lets you speak free, Fla-ky new re-li - gion, wild con-spi - ra-cy, Truth, lies, a - li-ens,

T. lets you speak free, Fla-ky new re-li - gion, wild con-spi - ra-cy, Truth, lies, a - li-ens,

B. lets you speak free, Fla-ky new re-li - gion, wild con-spi - ra-cy, Truth, lies, a - li-ens,

Pno.

101

S. hate speech, the lot. Could we sing this song? pro-ba-bly not.

A. hate speech, the lot. Could we sing this song? pro-ba-bly not.

T. hate speech, the lot. Could we sing this song? pro-ba-bly not.

B. hate speech, the lot. Could we sing this song? pro-ba-bly not.

Pno. *f* *mf*

105

S. The Sec - ond A - mend - ment lets you bear arms, Cra - zy or sane, no

A. The Sec - ond A - mend - ment lets you bear arms, Cra - zy or sane, no

T. The Sec - ond A - mend - ment lets you bear arms, Cra - zy or sane, no

B. The Sec - ond A - mend - ment lets you bear arms, Cra - zy or sane, no

Pno. *p*

109

S. mat - ter who it harms. If you weren't ac-cep - ted where you went to school,

A. mat - ter who it harms. If you weren't ac-cep - ted where you went to school,

T. mat - ter who it harms. If you weren't ac-cep - ted where you went to school,

B. mat - ter who it harms. If you weren't ac-cep - ted where you went to school,

Pno.

112

S. Shoot - ing them all could feel quite cool. [Shout:] BANG! BANG! BANG!

A. Shoot - ing them all could feel quite [Shout:] BANG! BANG! BANG!

T. Shoot - ing them all could feel quite cool. [Shout:] BANG! BANG! BANG!

B. Shoot - ing them all could feel quite cool. [Shout:] BANG! BANG! BANG!

Pno.

115

S. [1 sop, spoken, free rhythm] It's what Je - sus would have want - ed, hon - ey.

A. *p* Thoughts and prayers, Thoughts and prayers, Thoughts and prayers,

T. *p* Thoughts and prayers, Thoughts and prayers, Thoughts and prayers,

B. *p* Thoughts and prayers, Thoughts and prayers, Thoughts and prayers,

Pno. *pp*

118

S. *f* The Eight-eenth A-mend-ment says

A. *mp* Thoughts and prayers, Le - mon - ade, *f* Le - mon - ade, The Eight-eenth A-mend-ment says

T. *mp* Thoughts and prayers, Lem - on - ade, Lem - on - ade, Le - mon - ade,

B. *mp* Thoughts and prayers, Le - mon - ade, Le - mon - ade, Le - mon - ade,

Pno. *p*

122

S. *f*
NO BOOZE! The Twen-ty-first A-mend-ment says

A. *mp* *f*
NO BOOZE! On the rocks, On the rocks, The Twen-ty-first A-mend-ment says

T. *f*
Le - mon-ade, On the rocks, On the rocks, On the rocks,

B. *f*
Le - mon-ade, On the rocks, On the rocks, On the rocks,

Pno.

126

S. *mf*
GO BOOZE!___ The Thir - teenth A-mend-ment

A. *p*
GO BOOZE!___ The Thir-teenth A-mend-ment

T. *p*
On the rocks The Thir-teenth A-mend-ment

B. *p*
On the rocks The Thir-teenth A-mend-ment

Pno. *mp* *p*
mp *p*

♩. = 75

130

S. *mf*
 end-ed sla-ve-ry But chang-ing the law does-n't change so-ci-e-ty.

A. *mf*
 Ah But chang-ing the law does-n't change so-ci-e-ty.

T. *mf*
 Ah But chang-ing the law does-n't change so-ci-e-ty.

B. *mf*
 Ah But chang-ing the law does-n't change so-ci-e-ty.

Pno. *mf*

133 $\text{♩} = 115$ *mf*

S. *mf*
 So how's the Con-sti-tu-tion two-fif-ty years a-

A. *mf*
 So how's the Con-sti-tu-tion two-fif-ty years a-

T. *mf*
 So how's the Con-sti-tu-tion two-fif-ty years a-

B. *mf*
 So how's the Con-sti-tu-tion two-fif-ty years a-

Pno. $\text{♩} = 115$
mf *p*

138

S. -long? All the main com - pon - ents are still go - ing

A. -long? All the main com - pon - ents are still go - ing

T. -long? All the main com - pon - ents are still go - ing

B. -long? All the main com - pon - ents are still go - ing

Pno. *f* *p*

142

S. strong. Congress, Pre - si - dent and Su - preme Court work

A. strong. Congress, Pre - si - dent and Su - preme Court work

T. strong. Congress, Pre - si - dent and Su - preme Court work But not as

B. strong. Congress, Pre - si - dent and Su - preme Court work But not as

Pno. *f* *mf* *p*

146

S. *mf*
You may run for Con - gress

A. *mf*
You may run for Con - gress

T. *mf*
8 first was thought. You may run for Con - gress

B. *mf*
first was thought. You may run for Con - gress

Pno. *mf* *p*

149

S. if you've got the cash Be-cause you won't get in un - less you've made a splash; If

A. if you've got the cash Be-cause you won't get in un - less you've made a splash; If

T. *mf*
8 if you've got the cash Be-cause you won't get in un - less you've made a splash; If

B. if you've got the cash Be-cause you won't get in un - less you've made a splash; If

Pno.

152

S. you aren't weal - thy it's do - nors that you lack, If you get e - lec - ted, you'll

A. you aren't weal - thy it's do - nors that you lack, If you get e - lec - ted, you'll

T. you aren't weal - thy it's do - nors that you lack, If you get e - lec - ted, you'll

B. you aren't weal - thy it's do - nors that you lack, If you get e - lec - ted, you'll

Pno.

155

S. have to pay them back. The Pre - si - dent to day in his

A. have to pay them back. The Pre - si - dent to day in his

T. have to pay them back. The Pre - si - dent to day in his

B. have to pay them back. The Pre - si - dent to day in his

Pno. *mf* *mp*

158 ♩. = 95

S. pa - lace far a - way does - n't care a - bout the U. S. A., _____ If

A. pa - lace far a - way does - n't care a - bout the U. S. A., _____ If

T. pa - lace far a - way does - n't care a - bout the U. S. A., _____ If

B. pa - lace far a - way does - n't care a - bout the U. S. A., _____ If

Pno.

161 ♩. = 110

S. you're a U. S. busi-ness-man he'll lis - ten to you but He won't help` you un-

A. you're a U. S. busi-ness-man he'll lis - ten to you but He won't help` you un-

T. you're a U. S. busi-ness-man he'll lis - ten to you but He won't help` you un-

B. you're a U. S. busi-ness-man he'll lis - ten to you but He won't help` you un-

Pno.

pp

pp

164

S. *mf*
-less he gets a cut. Su - preme Court jud - ges, ap -

A. *mf*
-less he gets a cut. Su - preme Court jud - ges, ap -

T. *mf*
-less he gets a cut. Su - preme Court jud - ges, ap -

B. *mf*
-less he gets a cut. Su - preme Court jud - ges, ap -

Pno. *f* *p*

168

S. -poin - ted for life, Sit a - bove the po - li - ti - cal strife. The

A. -poin - ted for life, Sit a - bove the po - li - ti - cal strife. The

T. -poin - ted for life, Sit a - bove the po - li - ti - cal strife. The

B. -poin - ted for life, Sit a - bove the po - li - ti - cal strife. The

Pno.

171

rall. - - - - -

S. Pre - si - dent se - lects them, so he's quite sure The num - ber who op - pose him is

A. Pre - si - dent se - lects them, so he's quite sure The num - ber who op - pose him is

T. ₈ Pre - si - dent se - lects them, so he's quite sure The num - ber who op - pose him is

B. Pre - si - dent se - lects them, so he's quite sure The num - ber who op - pose him is

Pno. **rall.** - - - - -

174

(rall.) - - **ff** ♩ = 100

S. get - ting fewer. Af - ter all these years, it's still e - vi - dent The U. S. has the i - deal

A. **ff** get - ting fewer. Af - ter all these years, it's still e - vi - dent The U. S. has the i - deal

T. **ff** get - ting fewer. Af - ter all these years, it's still e - vi - dent The U. S. has the i - deal

B. **ff** get - ting fewer. Af - ter all these years, it's still e - vi - dent The U. S. has the i - deal

Pno. **(rall.)** - - ♩ = 100 **f**

178 $\text{♩} = 105$

S. gov-ern-ment: By the weal-thy, For the weal - thy All the

A. gov-ern-ment: Of the peo-ple All the

T. gov-ern-ment: By the weal - thy All the

B. gov-ern-ment: Of the peo-ple All the

Pno.

183 $\text{♩} = 60$ *mp*

S. rest can just stay poor. Who's a re - pub - lic now?

A. rest can just stay poor. Who's a re - pub - lic now?

T. rest can just stay poor. Who's a re - pub - lic now?

B. rest can just stay poor. Who's a re - pub - lic now?

Pno. $\text{♩} = 60$