



Diligence March

Bill Miller

Instrumentation

Full Score
Flute
Oboe
 $B\flat$ Clarinet 1/2
Bass Clarinet
Alto Saxophone 1/2
Tenor Saxophone
Baritone Saxophone
French Horn
 $B\flat$ Trumpet 1/2
Trombone/Euphonium/Bassoon
Tuba
Timpani
Glockenspiel
Xylophone
Percussion 1 (Snare/Bass Drum)
Percussion 2 (Cl. Cymbals)



About the Composer



Bill Miller is a music composer, educator, and clinician from Phoenix, AZ. Originally from the Chicago area, Miller moved to Arizona in 2010 and has been a resident ever since. His primary instrument is trumpet.

Bill received his B.A. in Music Education from Grand Canyon University in 2017 and has been actively teaching music to students of all ages both in and out of the classroom.

His experiences in education have allowed him to write music that is enjoyable yet challenging for its grade level. Bill's music has been performed all over the world. Some of his notable works include his "Night Before Christmas...Gone Wrong", "To the Moon", "Sounds of Ireland", and more. Outside of the concert band/choir/orchestra realm, Bill composed the soundtracks to "Chronexia and the Eight Seals", Season 1 of the Emmy-award winning show "CON", and "Antidote 15". Most recently, his music was included in an episode of the "Cardinals Folktales" series for the Arizona Cardinals.

Notes for the Conductor

I sought to evoke feelings of persistence/persistence and solidarity in the face of adversity in this march. Consequently, I wanted the first and second strains to be played more quietly the first time and then loudly the second time to reflect a newfound confidence.

This piece straddles a Grade 1.5 and a Grade 2 depending on instrument and any prescribed alterations to the music. This march clocks in at 3.5 minutes but can be shortened by removing repeats and playing everything "2nd time only" if endurance is a concern. Additionally, alternate notes have been provided for flute, clarinet, and trumpet to allow for further differentiation. Cue-sized notes are available for players who feel secure in the higher range of the flute/trumpet. Meanwhile, Clarinet 1 has a few notes that cross the break for all players, but cue-sized notes are also provided for passages that stay above the break for a longer period of time. Low brass/reeds get a taste of syncopation as well during the break strain to interrupt the monotony of plodding quarter notes.

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Full score
3'36"

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Flute
Oboe
B♭ Clarinet 1
B♭ Clarinet 2
Bass Clarinet
Alto Saxophone 1
Alto Saxophone 2
Tenor Saxophone
Baritone Saxophone
French Horn
B♭ Trumpet 1
B♭ Trumpet 2
Trombone/Baritone, Bassoon
Tuba
Timpani
Glockenspiel
Xylophone
Percussion 1
Percussion 2
Cl. Cymbals/Sus. Cymbals

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B

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1

A. Sax. 2

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

F. Hn

Bb Tpt 1

Bb Tpt 2

Tbn./Bar./Bsn.

Tba

Tim.

Glock.

Xyl.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

27

Fl.

Ob.

B. b. Cl. 1

B. b. Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1

A. Sax. 2

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

F. Hn.

Bb Tpt 1

Bb Tpt 2

Tbn./Bar./Bsn.

Tba

Tim.

Glock.

Xyl.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Sheet music for the Diligence March, Full Score, page 8. The score includes parts for Flute (Fl.), Oboe (Ob.), Bassoon 1 (B♭ Cl. 1), Bassoon 2 (B♭ Cl. 2), Bass Clarinet (B. Cl.), Alto Saxophone 1 (A. Sax. 1), Alto Saxophone 2 (A. Sax. 2), Tenor Saxophone (T. Sax.), Baritone Saxophone (Bar. Sax.), French Horn (F. Hn.), Bb Trumpet 1 (Bb Tpt 1), Bb Trumpet 2 (Bb Tpt 2), Trombone/Bassoon (Tbn./Bar./Bsn.), Tuba (Tba), Timpani (Timp.), Glockenspiel (Glock.), Xylophone (Xyl.), Percussion 1 (Perc. 1), and Percussion 2 (Perc. 2). The music is in common time, key signature of one flat. The score features a prominent bassoon line with sustained notes and dynamic markings like *f*, *f sub.*, *mp*, and *mp sub.*. A large watermark reading "Purchase Required" is diagonally across the page.

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D

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1

A. Sax. 2

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

F. Hn.

Bb Tpt 1

Bb Tpt 2

Tbn./Bar./Bsn.

Tba

Timp.

Glock.

Xyl.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

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Fl. ob. B♭ Cl. 1 B♭ Cl. 2 B. Cl. A. Sax. 1 A. Sax. 2 T. Sax. Bar. Sax. F. Hn. B♭ Tpt 1 B♭ Tpt 2 Tbn./Bar./Bsn. Tba. Timp. Glock. xyl. Perc. 1 Perc. 2

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A musical score page for the "Diligence March" featuring a full orchestra. The score includes staves for Flute (Fl.), Oboe (Ob.), Bassoon 1 (B♭ Cl. 1), Bassoon 2 (B♭ Cl. 2), Bassoon (B. Cl.), Alto Saxophone 1 (A. Sax. 1), Alto Saxophone 2 (A. Sax. 2), Tenor Saxophone (T. Sax.), Baritone Saxophone (Bar. Sax.), French Horn (F. Hn.), Bb Trumpet 1 (Bb Tpt 1), Bb Trumpet 2 (Bb Tpt 2), Trombone/Bassoon (Tbn./Bar./Bsn.), Tuba (Tba), Timpani (Timp.), Glockenspiel (Glock.), Xylophone (Xyl.), Percussion 1 (Perc. 1), and Percussion 2 (Perc. 2). The music is in 2/4 time, key signature is B♭ major (two flats), and measure number 97 is indicated. The dynamic marking *mp* (mezzo-forte) is present on several staves. A large, semi-transparent watermark reading "PREVIEW requires purchase" is diagonally overlaid across the score.

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G

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1

A. Sax. 2

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

F. Hn

B♭ Tpt 1

B♭ Tpt 2

Tbn./Bar./Bsn.

Tba

Tim.

Glock.

Xyl.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

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Fl.

Ob.

B. b. Cl. 1

B. b. Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1

A. Sax. 2

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

F. Hn

Bb Tpt 1

Bb Tpt 2

Tbn./Bar./Bsn.

Tba

Tim.

Glock.

Xyl.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

155

Fl.

Ob.

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1

A. Sax. 2

T. Sax.

Bar. Sax.

F. Hn.

Bb Tpt 1

Bb Tpt 2

Tbn./Bar./Bsn.

Tba

Timp.

Glock.

Xyl.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2