BRIDGE OVER TROUBLED WATER

for S.A.T.B. voices and piano

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Performance note: For stylistic authenticity, listen and watch Luther Vandross and Jennifer Holliday on the HBO video "The All-Star Gospel Session" (1987).

With strength and conviction ( \( \mathbf{d} = \text{ca. 76} \) )

SOPRANO
ALTO

I'll be your bridge _ o'er troubled wa-

(TENOR)
BASS

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PIANO

- ter, when you're down, when you're down, I will car-

ry you like a bridge _ o'er troubled wa-

- ter, I will lay me in

Performance Time: Approx. 5:30

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down.

When you're weary, feelin' small,
when tears are in your eyes I will dry them all.
I'm on your side... Oh, when times get rough...

and friends just can't be found, like a

bridge over troubled water... I will lay me down...

* Tenors can sing melody
A-1906
street, my Lord, when evening falls so hard.

so hard, comfort you. I will comfort you. I'll take your part.

when darkness comes.
Like a bridge over troubled water

Gm Bb/F Bb Eb C/E Fsus F Bb Bb/D

and pain is all around.

bridge over troubled water I will lay me down.

Eb Dm7 Cm7 Cm/Bb Bb Gm7 Cm7 D9 D7/F♯

Like a bridge over troubled water

Gm Bb Bb/D Eb F/Eb Dm7 Gm7

A-1906
I'll be your bridge.

I will lay me down...

o'er troubled water, when you're down

I will carry you like a bridge o'er troubled water, I will lay me down.
Sail on silver girl, sail on by.

Sail on silver girl,

Your time has come to shine.

sail on by.

All your dreams are on their way. See how they shine.

* Optional solo continues through m. 93.

A-1906
Oh, if you ever need a friend.

(right behind)

look a-round, I'm sailing

bridge over troubled water, I will ease your mind

(solo melody over full choir)
Like a bridge over troubled water

solo (or Sopranos)
I will ease your mind.

I'll be your bridge

solo (or Sopranos)  (tutti)
o'er troubled water, when you're down, when you're down, I will car-
ry you like a bridge o'er troubled wa ter I will lay...

F Cm7 Fsus F Bb Eb Cm7 Eb/F

cresc.

down.

Bb sus Bb Cm/Bb Cm/F Cm/Bb Bb