



Witherspoon in Action: Community Block Party

Saturday, September 19, 2026 · 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Corner of Witherspoon & Quarry Streets, Princeton, NJ

Speakers

11:15–11:30 a.m. — Opening & Welcome

Cecelia Hodges — “A Celebration of Community” 11:15-11:20

Opening poem celebrating the strength, diversity and spirit of the Princeton community.

Mayor Mark Freda — “Welcome to Princeton: Celebrating Our Community” 11:20-11:25

Welcoming residents and guests while recognizing the diversity, history and contributions of Princeton’s neighborhoods.

Evan Peal — “Why We’re Here: Community, Connection and Action” 11:25-11:30

An overview of the Block Party’s purpose and the importance of bringing neighbors and community organizations together to connect, learn and act.

Shirley Satterfield — “Our History, Our Legacy: Witherspoon Street and Witherspoon Jackson Neighborhood” 11:30-11:35 Exploring the rich history of Witherspoon Street Presbyterian Church and the Witherspoon Jackson community and the legacy that continues to shape Princeton today.

Rev. Glen Misick — “Faith in Action: The Social Justice Mission of WSPC” 11:35-11:40 How Witherspoon Street Presbyterian Church puts its faith into action through its commitment to social justice, service and the broader community.

BREAK

12:15–1:00 p.m. — Community Issues & Looking Ahead

Joy Barnes Johnson — “Honoring a Legacy: The Significance of the Paul Robeson House” 12:15-12:20 Reflecting on Paul Robeson’s legacy and the importance of preserving his home and the history it represents for the community.

Rev. Eric Dobson — “Housing Is a Community Issue: Why Affordable Housing Matters” 12:20-12:25 Exploring the importance of affordable housing in building a diverse, inclusive and thriving community where people can afford to live and stay.

Senator Andrew Zwicker — “Building a Better New Jersey: The Role of Government and Community” 12:25-12:30 Discussing how government, residents and community organizations can work together to address challenges and create a stronger New Jersey.

Dr. Adam Hisham Hamawy — “A Bright Future for the 12th Congressional District” 12:30-12:35 Sharing a vision for a stronger future for families and communities across the 12th Congressional Districts

Organizations

Witherspoon Street Presbyterian Church Signup Table

Robeson House

Not In Our Town

Witherspoon Church / History

WSPC Deacons

Arm in Arm

Princeton Library

Bayard Rustin Center

Voter Registration Office

Catholic Charities

League of Women's Voters

City of Princeton

Health Department

MCBOSS

Princeton Parents for Black Children

Princeton Affordable Housing

Princeton Mutual Aid

Resistance in Action NJ

TASK — Trenton Area Soup Kitchen

Trenton Youth Wrestling

WSPC Sign-In Table — Back



Food

Collect **10-hole punches or stars on card** by visiting 10 different organizations, then stop by **Ailes Ice Cream Truck** for a free ice cream—available to event attendees only.

Keep exploring and collecting! Once you earn **18-hole punches or stars**, visit the **Bro-Ritos Food Truck** and/or head upstairs to enjoy delicious food donated by **Agricola, The Dinky, Roots, Ocean Prime, Olives, and Pizza Den**.

And don't forget to pick up a bag of **freshly popped popcorn** near **The Witherspoon Table**, located by Witherspoon Street!

Stay hydrated – Pick up an 8 oz water bottle or two from the orange and white round cooler located at various points on Quarry St. Please throw your empty bottles in a recycling bin.

BRO-RITOS

Bro-Ritos / Bowls - Tacos

Burrito and burrito bowls all made with yellow rice and black beans

Big Fella Bro! A little bit of everything; chicken chipotle, ground beef, sweet peppers, yellow rice, black beans and your choice of toppings!

Chicken Chipotle Bro! Pulled chicken slow cooked with sautéed onions, peppers and our special chipotle blend

Beef Bro! Ground Beef cooked with our homemade onion and pepper blend, sazón and adobo (non msg)

(V) Sweet Peppers Bro! Colorful peppers sliced and sautéed with sazón for amazing flavor

(V) Black Beans Bro! Slow cooked Black beans with a touch of cilantro and lime

Drinks

Water, Coke, Diet Coke, Sprite



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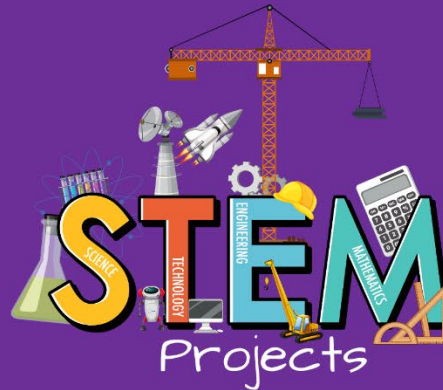


Witherspoon Street
Presbyterian Church

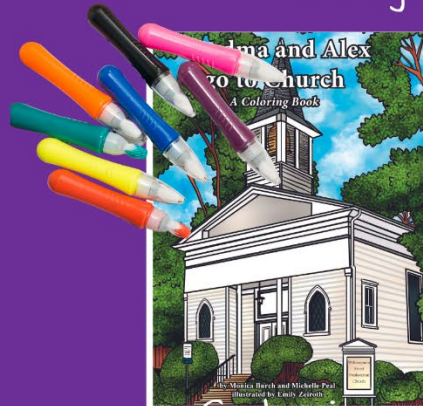
Kids Corner



Face Painting



Books



Coloring

Games

