

## **Chili Cook Off Rules**

As part of our Souper Bowl of Caring this year we are adding a Chili Cook Off! That's right! On Sunday, February 12 at noon you can bring your awesome chili made from that secret recipe and see if your chili is up to the challenge OR – if you are more into the eating part of cook offs – come and see, smell, taste, and VOTE on YOUR favorite chili! This will NO doubt BE a good time with great food.

The official rules for cooks at the Advent Souper Bowl Chili Cook-off are as follows:

**1. Beans Welcome**

Unlike professional Chili cook-offs, all chili entries are considered chili's if considered chili by the submitter. This includes white chili's, chicken chili's, and other such entries. 'Red' chili's are the preferred type, however any types are welcome. This INCLUDES entries using BEANS and PASTA as part of their ingredients.

**2. No Mystery Meat**

Any meats may be used, but any meats that are not ground hamburger or ground turkey must be identified on the name card for the chili.

**3. Hot or Not?**

All entries that can be considered 'hot' must be identified as such for the consuming public.

**4. BYOC (Bring your own condiments)**

Contestants are responsible for supplying their own recipe specific condiments such as 'special' cheeses, cornbread, or other garnishes. Advent will provide bowls, spoons, and napkins.

**5. Bring Some To Share**

If at all possible, please use a 4 quart or larger crock-pot. The intent of the cook off is fun, but also to provide a good size portion of food for many to enjoy.

**6. Delivery On Time – 10am**

Crock pots should be delivered to Advent's Fellowship Hall & Kitchen between 10:30 and 11:30 AM Sunday, February 12, 2023. Judging will begin as soon as the late worship service lets out. Entries not in place will not be judged for the competition. We don't want anyone to know who cooked what, so the 11:30 deadline is important to maintain anonymity.

**7. Do Your Best.**

There will be prizes for first, second and third place overall, the hottest chili, and the most original chili.

**8. What's My Motivation? (Judging Criteria)**

Everyone attending is a judge and they will be asked to vote for the chili based on the following major considerations: good chili flavor, aftertaste, consistency, blend of spices, aroma and color.

**9. Fill Out Your Card**

Each contestant will be assigned a contestant's number and given two 3x5 cards when they deliver their chili.

On one side of the card, please write your name, the name of the chili, identify if the chili is 'hot', 'mild', or 'medium', and any key ingredients that should be known, such as meat other than hamburger or turkey burger, or things like peanuts that could affect those with food allergies. On the second card, please put the same information, but DO NOT put your name, instead, your contestant number will be placed on this card.. These will be used for judging and then will be replaced with the card with your name once the judging is complete.

**10. Take Your "Toys" Home With You**

Please ensure you pick up your materials by the end of the event.