

## THE RULES





You may use any recipe you'd like, but each person must do all the cooking, measuring, seasoning, etc.



You must make enough chili (approx. 4 quarts) to be included in the fellowship time following the competition.



You must name your chili. Considering the chili will be open for general consumption, we also would like you to include the level of heat of your chili.



Chili is to be prepared off premises and transported in a warmer. Contestants are permitted to set up their equipment, decorations, and other facilities any time after 2:00pm on the day of the cookoff. All chili must be presented for judging by 4:30pm. The judging will commence at 4:40pm. Once judging begins, no other entries will be accepted.



Prizes will be given for the top three overall scores. Scores will be based on the opinions of three impartial judges. Each chili will be graded in five different categories: appearance, consistency, aroma, taste, and after taste.



In addition, there will be an award for presentation based on the display of the chili in the Fellowship Hall. (This will be separate from the chili awards.) The display will be judged on creativity, adherence to the theme, and overall appearance.



Contestants may be asked to taste their own chili before judging (without water, milk, or crackers).



Contestants need not have an affiliation with Mt. Zion, but must be present during the entire event and have a good time enjoying the fun and company of Mt. Zion.



The decision of the judges will be final.



Multiple entries are permitted.



Trophies will be distributed at the end of the event.