# Chili Cook Off To benefit the Westlake United Methodist Church Chancel Choir

1<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF RULES AND APPLICATION

#### Cooking rules:

- Single entry or teams welcome, team max, 5 people. Westlake United Methodist Church (WUMC) will provide an 8' table. You may decorate your table and space as desired. Contestants must furnish own ingredients, equipment, utensils and serving ladle.
- Power will be supplied; contestants need to bring a crockpot to keep chili hot.
- All contestants are responsible for the maintenance of its proper temperature for serving. WUMC will provide spoons and cups for serving to the general public and of course napkins. WUMC will also provide beverages (Coffee, Lemonade and Ice water) and other condiments such as sour cream, cheddar cheese, hot sauce, corn bread, etc. Soft drinks will be available for \$1.00.
- Judges choice: There will be 3 judges, they will be looking for taste, aroma, texture, after taste and heat of chili. (Heat of chili will not necessarily determine the winner; so, feel free to make your chili as mild or hot as you desire)
- There will be a 1st place ribbon and a cash prize of \$50.00. Ribbons for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place as well as a "People's Choice". 1st Place People's choice winner will be awarded a certificate.

#### Entry:

• The entry fee will be \$25.00 per chili entered. Contestants may enter more than 1 batch of chili.

### Ingredients:

 Use your favorite recipe, with or without meat, with or without beans. Meat may be beef, pork, lamb, chicken or turkey (no wild meats). Veggie (meatless chili) is okay. Ingredients may be cut, shredded or ground to any size. <u>Please</u> <u>have a list of the meats used for allergy purposes. If peanuts or peanut oil is</u> <u>used, please display a warning sign.</u> You may NOT use can, store bought chili or mixes. Pre-cooked beans are okay. • All ingredients must be precooked & treated prior to the event, chili is to be brought "ready to eat". You must bring your own condiments if not provided by WUMC.

#### Chili rules:

- Each contestant must cook a minimum of 8-10 quarts (approximately 2 gallons) of chili. Each contestant or team will be given a "contestants number". Your number will be visible to the judges and public.
- The public voters each get 1 vote to be dropped into a ballet box. The more people you bring or know the better chance you have of winning.

#### Silent Auction:

- WUMC Chancel Choir will be accepting donations for the Silent Auction.
- Silent Auction will be open from 1:00 to 3:15. Auction winners will be announced before the winning chili is named.

#### Chili Cook off schedule:

Set-up: 12:45pm - bring your chili and set up your booth. You may decorate your booth however you would like! 1:00-3:00pm- people may taste and vote for the whole 2 hours, please bring plenty of chili! Award ceremony: 3:15pm.

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	Application Form	
Team Name:		
Contact Person:	Phone	
Address:		
City:	State Zip Code	
Contact Email:		

Entry Fee \$25.00 per Team. (Cash or Check Only) Check payable to: Westlake United Methodist Church. Note: *Chili Cook-Off* in memo line of your check. Please mail or drop payment by the church office along with your application by February 18, 2019.

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