

We are pleased that you worshipped with us today. Please join us for Coffee Fellowship in our church hall, following worship. If you are new to the parish, or simply visiting, introduce yourself to our priest or to our greeters, so that they may introduce you to others. If you are interested in learning more about Orthodoxy please scan the flier to receive some information and a call from someone who can lead you in the right direction and answer any questions you may have.

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Questions? Reach out to
Fr. Chris or Zach



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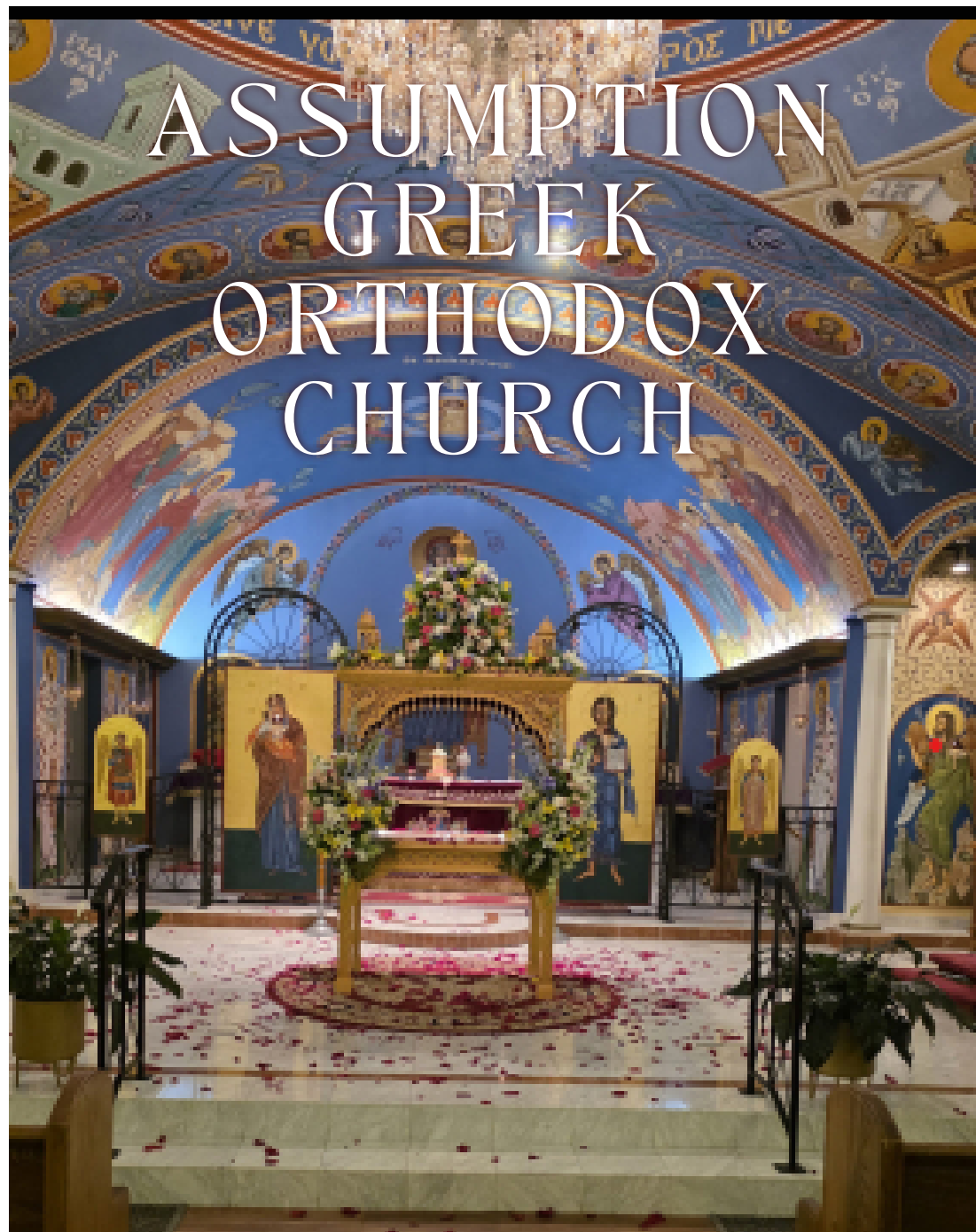


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ASSUMPTION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH



11 N. 7TH STREET
MADISON, WI 53704

THIS WEEK AT ASSUMPTION

Today's Scripture and Saints

Sunday, October 18th, 2026

**Saint Luke the Evangelist and Saint Marinos the Martyr
and Saint Iakovos Retreat Center Sunday**

Colossians 4:5-11; 14-18 Luke 10:16-21

Coffee Hour / Sunday School / Fall Family Outing / Social Ministry Event

Monday October 19th, 2026

6:30 p.m. Byzantine Chanting Class

Wednesday, October 21st 2026

7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, October 22nd, 2026

6:30 p.m. Saint Paisios Series

Fr. Christodoulos will be out of the office until Friday, October 23rd.

Memorial

Gus Margellos 6 Months

May his memory be eternal

Upcoming Items:

FALL FAMILY OUTING THIS AFTERNOON: All are welcome to join us this afternoon at Enchanted Valley Acres Farm from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. There are many fun fall activities for all ages. See the attached flyer for more details.

SOCIAL MINISTRY EVENTS: Our Social Ministry will be hosting a Packers vs. Cowboys Watch Party **this evening** at 7:00 p.m. Bring some drinks or a dish to pass and enjoy some fellowship together. Join us on **Monday, October 26th** for another fun night of Trivia here at the Church Hall.

ALTAR BOY WORKSHOP SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25th: We are hosting a workshop for our current and aspiring Altar Boys. We will be going over proper procedure and order for services and processions. Anyone who would like to join the Altar Boys is welcome but must be at least 8 years old. Come join our blessed tradition of serving God.

75th ANNIVERSARY GALA NOVEMBER 14th: On Saturday, November 14th we will be gathering in celebration at the Concourse Hotel for our Parishes 75 Year Anniversary. It will be an evening of celebration, commemoration & looking forward to our future. Cocktails will begin at 5:30 p.m. with Dinner being served at 6:30 p.m. with Dancing to follow. The Cost is \$45 to \$75 for adults and \$20 for children 10 & under, Help us kick off our next 75 years with a fun filled evening. Click Link [HERE](#) to purchase Tickets

WITH GOD'S BLESSINGS,

THE PARISH OF
ASSUMPTION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
IS HONORING

75
YEARS

IN THE RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY OF
MADISON, WISCONSIN

PLEASE JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE
THIS MOMENTOUS OCCASION

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH, 2026

RECEPTION AT
THE MADISON CONCOURSE HOTEL
1 W. DAYTON STREET, MADISON, WISCONSIN

COCKTAILS 5:30 PM
DINNER 6:30 PM
DANCING 7:30-10:00 PM

TOGETHER.
CELEBRATING OUR PAST.
EMBRACING OUR FUTURE.

1951-2026

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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CHILI COOK OFF: Our 7th annual Chili Cook Off will be on Sunday, November 8th after church, during coffee hour. Families can bring their favorite chili recipe to share. Enter your vote to see who will win the golden koutala this year! Entrance fee is \$7 per adult, children 5 and under and Veterans are free. All Proceeds will go towards Sunday School.

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS: Once again this year our Church will be electing a new Parish Council for the 2027-2028 term. It's not too early to begin thinking about serving on the Parish Council. Four seats will be open for election. If you want to see improvements and changes in our church leadership, you need to get involved. A candidate must be a member in good standing for at least one year immediately preceding the date of the election.

COMMUNION ANNOUNCEMENT: While we pray and work for the reconciliation and unity of all the world's Christians, the reality remains that there is still no intercommunion between our Orthodox Churches and the Churches of the West. This means that only baptized, chrismated and observant Orthodox faithful receive Communion in our churches. At the same time, we warmly welcome all non-Orthodox to join us in prayer and celebration, and humbly offer to all present the Antidoro bread of fellowship at the end of the service. We offer this important symbol 'instead of the Gifts', in the words of the Apostle Paul, 'Till we all come to the unity of the Faith' (Eph. 4.13).

YOUR COOPERATION IS NEEDED: We remind our faithful that the Divine Liturgy begins at 9:45 a.m. Sharp! On Sunday. Please be prompt and on time! Please turn off cell phones before entering church. No conversation should take place during worship. During the reading of the Gospel people in the narthex should be standing reverently and listen to the reading. If possible avoid using center aisle during high points of Divine Liturgy. Lipstick and lip-gloss should be removed before kissing icons, receiving Holy Communion and kissing the hand of the priest. Please keep the Center aisle clear for the ushers and wait until they dismiss your row. Please avoid standing right behind the ushers. When receiving antidoron, please use both hands and do not allow the crumbs to fall to the floor.

Resurrection Dismissal Hymn

ἤχος γ

Εὐφραινέσθωτὰ οὐράνια, ἀγαλλιάσθωτὰ ἐπίγεια, ὅτι ἐποίησε κράτος,
ἐν βραχίονι αὐτοῦ, ὁ Κύριος, ἐπάτησε τῷ θανάτῳ τὸν θάνατον, πρωτότοκος τῶν
νεκρῶν ἐγένετο, ἐκ κοιλίας ἄδου ἐρρύσατο ἡμᾶς, καὶ παρέσχε τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα
ἔλεος.

Mode 3

Let the heavens rejoice, and let things on earth be glad, for the Lord hath wrought might with His arm; He hath trampled upon death by death; He hath become the first born of the dead. From the bowels of Hades hath He delivered us, and hath granted great mercy to the world.

For the Evangelist.

ἤχος γ

Ἀπόστολε Ἅγιε καὶ Εὐαγγελιστὰ Λουκᾶ, πρέσβευε τῷ ἐλεήμονι Θεῷ, ἵνα
πταισμάτων ἄφεσιν, παράσχη ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν.

Mode 3

O holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke, make intercession to our merciful God,
that He grant our souls forgiveness of offenses

Hymn for the Dormition of the Theotokos

ἤχος α

Ἐν τῇ Γεννήσει, τὴν παρθενίαν ἐφύλαξας. Ἐν τῇ Κοιμήσει, τὸν κόσμον οὐ κατέλιπες Θεοτόκε. Μετέστης πρὸς τὴν ζωὴν, Μήτηρ ὑπάρχουσα τῆς ζωῆς, καὶ ταῖς πρεσβείαις ταῖς σαῖς λυτρουμένη, ἐκ θανάτου τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

First Mode

You gave birth yet preserved your virginity. You fell asleep in death yet did not desert the world, O Theotokos. You were transported to life, as you are Mother of Life and, by virtue of your intercessions, deliver our souls from death.

Kontakion

Ἦχος β

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία, πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ παρίδης, ἀμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθὴ, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι· Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, ἡ προστατεύουσα ἀεὶ, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

Second Mode

A protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant: O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

+ — ASSUMPTION — VETERAN FELLOWSHIP

ALL VETS AND FAMILIES + ALL ERAS + ALL BRANCHES



This Veteran Fellowship Group is for all vets and military connected, inquirer to illumined.

Getting out can leave most of us feeling like we lost our sense of comradeship and group oneness. This group will be designed to help our fellow service members both past and present with that.

Our goal is to rebuild that sense of fellowship through our shared Orthodox faith, prayer, service, and brotherhood. We will support one another through the challenges of military and civilian life, help connect veterans with available resources, and provide a place where veterans and their families can come together with others who understand.

SERVICE ENDS + BROTHERHOOD DOESN'T

*A fellowship for those who served, those still serving,
and the families who stood beside them.*

Come as you are.



UNDER THE PATRONAGE OF
**THE HOLY ARCHANGEL
MICHAEL**

Commander of the Bodiless Hosts

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The Holy Archangel Michael has long been honored as a defender of the faithful and commander of the heavenly hosts. As the patron of this fellowship, his example reminds us of courage, duty, loyalty, and steadfastness in the service of God.

Holy Archangel Michael, intercede for us.

OUR FELLOWSHIP

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To welcome veterans and military families into parish life, strengthen our bonds across generations and branches of service, and encourage one another to live faithfully in Christ.

Possible events will be:

- + 1. Assistance with applications for education benefits, medical benefits, and VA disability compensation, including C&P document prep work.
- + 2. Monthly outings—see the bulletin or email for details.
- + 3. Meals and coffee with each other.
- + 4. Memorial and remembrance events.
- + 5. Veteran and military outreach.
- + 6. Motorcycle rides together.
- + 7. Deep dives into the lives of military and civilian saints.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING?

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Veterans, active-duty service members, reservists, National Guard members, and military families are invited.
Come to a meeting, introduce yourself, and be part of the fellowship.

Name: _____

Date: _____

Status in the Church: _____

Patron Saint: _____

Phone & Email: _____

Address: _____

GALATIANS 6:2

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“Bear one another’s burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.”

— Galatians 6:2 (OSB)

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PRAYER TO THE ARCHANGEL MICHAEL

Holy Archangel Michael, commander of the heavenly hosts, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

For God + For Country + For Each Other

ASSUMPTION

SUNDAY SCHOOL EVENTS

SAVE THE DATES
2026-2027



SEPT

- Sun Sept 20th - First day of Sunday school

OCT

- Sun Oct 18th - Pumpkin Patch

NOV

- Sun Nov 8th - Chili Cook Off
- Fri Nov 13th - Artoklasia Night
- Sun Nov 29th - No Sunday school

DEC

- Sun Dec 6th - St. Nicholas Day
- Fri Dec 18th - Gingerbread Night
- Sun Dec 20th - Christmas Pageant
- Sun Dec 27th - No Sunday school

JAN

- Sun Jan 10th - Blessing of the Water in Monona
- Sun Jan 24th - Parish Winter Outing

FEB

- Sun Feb 7th - God Parent Day
- Sun Feb 21st - Parish Bowling Night

MAR

- Sat Mar 6th - Youth Outing
- Tue Mar 23rd - Urban Air Outing

APR

- Sun Apr 4th - Confession Sunday
- Sun Apr 18th - Confession Sunday
- Sat Apr 24th - Lazarus Retreat
- Sun Apr 25th - No Sunday school
- TBD - Fanari Lenten Retreat
- TBD - Second Harvest Volunteer

MAY

- Sun May 2nd - No Sunday school
- Sun May 2nd - Pascha Egg Hunt
- Sun May 23rd - Last day of Sunday school
- Sun May 23rd - Family Picnic

JUN

- Sun Jun 6th - Graduation Sunday
- Sat Jun 12th - Mini Golfing Outing

Today's Scripture Readings:
Epistle Reading:

The reading is from Paul's Letter the Colossians

Brethren, conduct yourselves wisely toward outsiders, making the most of the time. Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer every one. Tychicos will tell you all about my affairs; he is a beloved brother and faithful minister and fellow servant in the Lord. I have sent him to you for this very purpose, that you may know how we are and that he may encourage your hearts, and with him Onesimos, the faithful and beloved brother, who is one of yourselves. They will tell you of everything that has taken place. Aristarchos my fellow prisoner greets you, and Mark the cousin of Barnabas (concerning whom you have received instructions if he comes to you, receive him), and Jesus who is called Justos. These are the only men of the circumcision among my fellow workers for the kingdom of God, and they have been a comfort to me. Luke the beloved physician and Demas greet you. Give my greetings to the brethren at Laodicea, and to Nympha and the church in her house. And when this letter has been read among you, have it read also in the church of the Laodiceans; and see that you read also the letter from Laodicea. And say to Archippos, "See that you fulfill the ministry which you have received in the Lord." I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. Remember my fetters. Grace be with you. Amen.

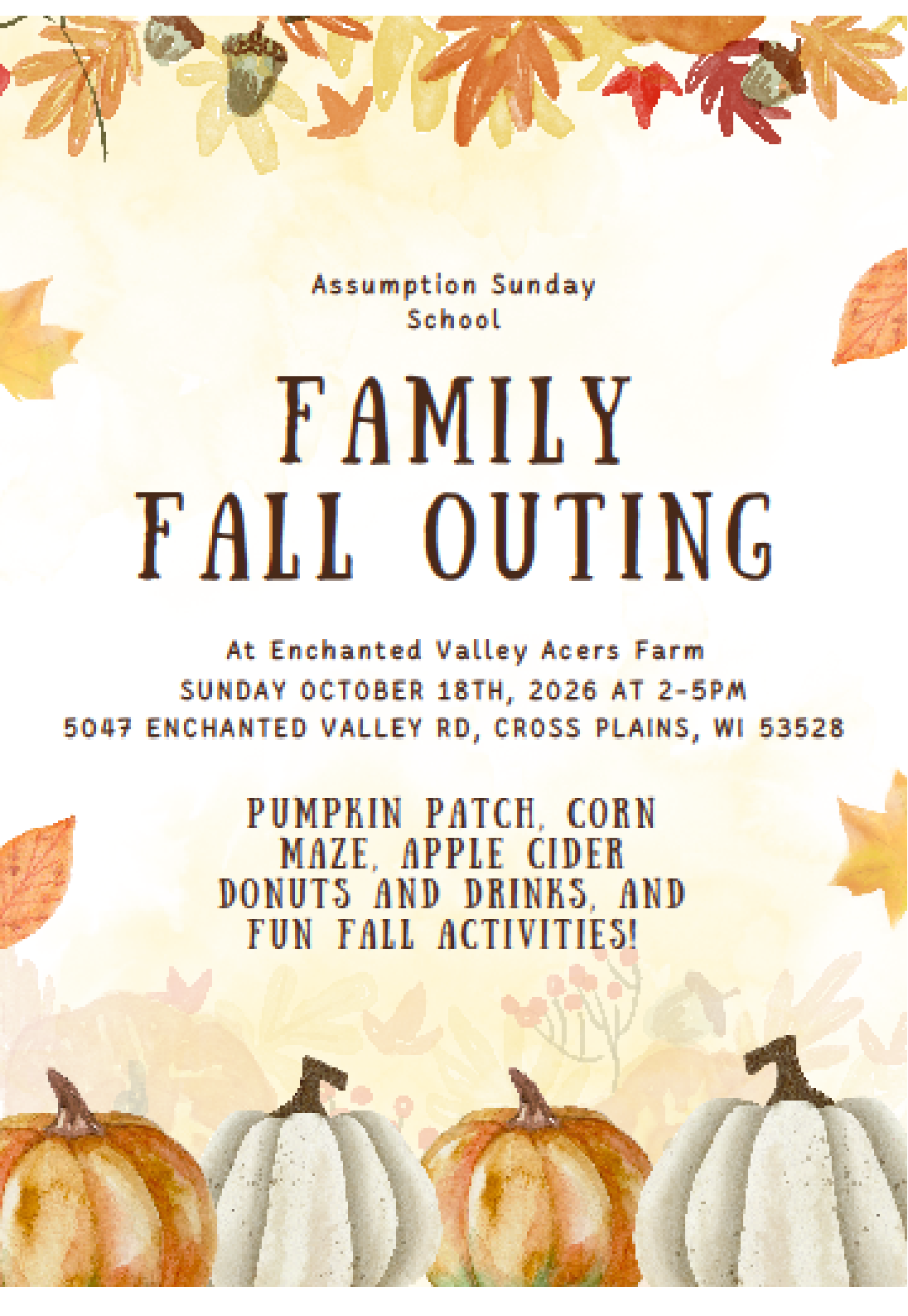
Gospel Reading:

The reading is from the holy Gospel according to Luke

The Lord said to his disciples, "He who hears you hears me, and he who rejects you rejects me, and he who rejects me rejects him who sent me." The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I have given you authority to tread upon serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing shall hurt you. Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you; but rejoice that your names are written in heaven." In that same hour he rejoiced in the Holy Spirit and said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to babes; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will."

From the Fathers:

In Christianity truth is not a philosophical concept nor is it a theory, a teaching, or a system, but rather, it is the living theanthropic hypostasis - the historical Jesus Christ (John 14:6). Before Christ men could only conjecture about the Truth since they did not possess it. With Christ as the incarnate divine Logos the eternally complete divine Truth enters into the world. For this reason the Gospel says: "Truth came by Jesus Christ" (John 1:17). - **St. Justin Popovich**



Assumption Sunday
School

FAMILY FALL OUTING

At Enchanted Valley Acers Farm
SUNDAY OCTOBER 18TH, 2026 AT 2-5PM
5047 ENCHANTED VALLEY RD, CROSS PLAINS, WI 53528

PUMPKIN PATCH, CORN
MAZE, APPLE CIDER
DONUTS AND DRINKS, AND
FUN FALL ACTIVITIES!



6TH ANNUAL CHILI COOK OFF NOVEMBER 8TH

COMPETE TO WIN THE GOLDEN KOUTALA



Come and vote for your favorite chili!
Admission is \$7 per adult, Veterans and Kids are free of charge.
All proceeds go to our Sunday School Program

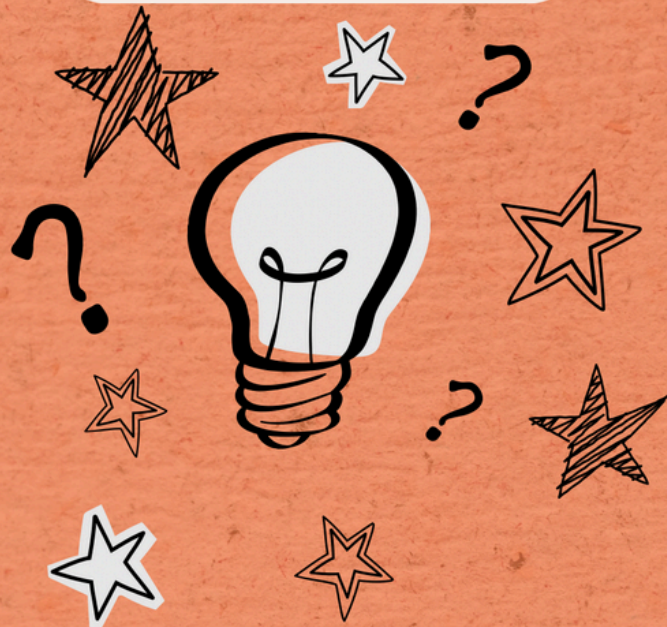
Competition Guidelines:

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1. Bring a 6-quart crock-pot (minimum) filled with your chili ready to eat by 11:15.
 2. On a 5x8 index card, provide the name of your chili and a heat rating (mild, medium, hot) DO NOT include your name. List the ingredients on the back of the card.
 3. The Sunday School will provide fixins, tasting cups and utensils.
 4. The winner will be determined by popular vote!

ASSUMPTION SOCIAL
MINISTRY

TRIVIA NIGHT!

MON | OCT 26
07:00 PM



Please bring a dish or
drinks to pass if able

ASSUMPTION CHURCH HALL



PACKERS WATCH PARTY

PACKERS VS COWBOYS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18TH | 7:00 PM
ASSUMPTION CHURCH HALL

Please bring a dish or drink to pass if you are able

ASSUMPTION SOCIAL MINISTRY



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