Recipe for CLASSIC SANDWICH BREAD



FROM THE FPC KITCHEN

INGREDIENTS:

- 3 cups flour, reserving 1/2 cup for kneading
- 1/2 cup milk (room temp)
- 2/3 cup warm water (110 degrees)
- 4 Tbsp (1/2 stick) butter, melted
- 2 Tbsp sugar + 1 tsp (for proofing yeast)
- 1-1/4 tsp salt
- 2-1/4 tsp (1 packet) active dry yeast

DIRECTIONS:

- Mix warm water with yeast and 1 tsp sugar. Let sit until frothy (about 5–10 minutes).
- Whisk yeast mix with melted butter and milk.
- Sift together flour, salt and remaining 2 tablespoons sugar in separate bowl.
- Slowly add dry ingredients into the wet mixture. Stir with spatula and add in remaining flour as needed to get dough to come together into a wet ball.
- Once dough leaves side of bowl, roll out onto a lightly floured surface.
- Knead until smooth and elastic, About 7-8 minutes. You can also use a stand mixer on low with a dough hook.
- Place dough in a lightly oiled bowl and cover with plastic wrap. Let rise in a warm place until doubled.
- Deflate dough and shape into a buttered 9 X 5 bread loaf pan. Let rise until doubled. Do not let overproof or the dough will sink in the oven.
- Bake at 350 degrees for 30–32 minutes. Check bread at 20 minutes to make sure top is not too brown. You can cover with foil to keep from getting too brown.
- Remove bread from oven, tip loaf out of pan using a clean towel and oven mitt and let cool on a rack 15–20 minutes before slicing.
- Tips: For freezing, cool completely, wrap tightly with plastic and store in freezer for up to 6 months.
- If you do not have a suitable bread pan, you can make small rolls with the dough. Baking time will be much less.