Colonial Gingerbread Cake with Lemon Sauce

Cake

2 cups flour 1 cup molasses 34 cup buttermilk 1⁄2 cup sugar 1⁄2 cup butter (soft) 1 egg 1 tsp baking soda 1 tsp ginger 1 tsp cinnamon 1⁄2 tsp salt

Beat all ingredients with mixer for 3 minutes. Bake in a greased 9x9 pan at 325°F for ~1 hour. Serve with warm lemon sauce.

Lemon Sauce

1 cup sugar
2 Tbsp cornstarch
1 tsp grated lemon rind
2 cups boiling water
4 Tbsp butter
3 Tbsp fresh lemon juice

Combine sugar, cornstarch and lemon rind in a saucepan. Add boiling water gradually, stirring constantly. Cook and stir mixture over low heat until clear and thickened – about 5 minutes. Remove from heat and stir in butter and lemon juice. Can be made ahead and reheated. Serve warm over gingerbread.