## Pumpkin Cloverleaf Rolls

## Ingredients:

3-3/4 cups flour, plus more for sprinkling

1 pkg or 2-1/4 tsp instant or bread machine yeast

1 tsp salt

1 teaspoon cinnamon, plus more for kneading

1/4 cup milk

1/4 cup honey

½ cup water

½ cup canned or frozen and thawed pureed pumpkin or squash (or more to taste)

1 lg egg

2 tablespoons butter

## Directions:

- 1. In a large bowl, mix together the flour, yeast, sage and salt, and set it aside.
- 2. Pour the milk, water & honey into a microwave-safe bowl or 4-cup glass measuring cup and microwave on high for 60 seconds. Whisk in the pumpkin, then egg. (The liquid mixture should be 120°; or temperature specified on yeast package, to activate yeast.) Reheat if needed.
- 3. With a fork, blend the pumpkin mixture into the flour mixture until you have a soft dough. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate for at least 1 hour.
- 4. Two hours before baking, turn the dough out onto a pastry board dusted with flour and/or cinnamon, sprinkle dough ball with cinnamon and knead into dough. Melt the butter and set it aside in a small bowl. Divide the dough in half, then divide each half into 6 portions. Divide each portion into 3 pieces. Place 3 balls in a muffin cup. Continue until 12 muffin cups are filled.
- 5. Drizzle or brush each roll with melted butter. Let the rolls rise in a warm spot (at least  $70^{\circ}$ ) until they're double in size, about 1 to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours. The 3 balls of dough will rise together to form a cloverleaf shape.
- 6. Heat the oven to 350°. Bake the rolls until golden, about 15 to 17 minutes. Makes 1 dozen.

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