Easy GF Pineapple Upside Down Cake (a NowICanEatCake recipe)

What You'll Need:

- 4 T. butter
- 8 pineapple rings
- 8 maraschino cherries
- 1 box better batter gluten-free yellow cake mix
- ½ c. water
- ½ c. **pineapple juice** (drained from pineapple)
- ½ c. apple sauce
- ½ c. coconut oil, melted
- 3 eggs
- 1 c. Splenda® *brown sugar* mix (feel free to use regular brown sugar)

Note: Cake box calls for 3/4 c. oil. I don't like using that much oil. If you don't care, simply replace 1/2 c. applesauce and 1/4 c. oil for the full 3/4 c. oil.

What To Do:

- 1. Preheat oven to 350° F. Lightly spray a 9x13 baking pan.
- 2. Melt **butter** in the bottom of baking pan.
- 3. Sprinkle **brown sugar** evenly over butter.
- 4. Place **pineapple rings** in bottom of the baking pan 4 across, 2 down.
- 5. Place the **maraschino cherries** in the center of the **pineapple rings**.
- 6. In the bowl of an electric mixer blend **cake mix**, **water**, **pineapple juice**, **apple sauce**, **oil** and **eggs** at low-speed until moistened (about 30 seconds). Beat at medium for 2 minutes.
- 7. Pour batter carefully over **pineapple** and **cherries** in baking pan.
- 8. Bake 35-40 minutes. Cake is done when a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean.
- 9. Cool in pan on wire rack for 15 minutes. Then turn out onto serving plate to cool completely.
- 10. Serve plain or with a dollop of whipped topping.