

A hootenanny usually refers to music. It is a time for musicians to come together and play for enjoyment. Why not do the same when making a hearty vegetarian bean stew? Willy-nilly, just use any veggies you have on hand that harmonize with each other. The suggested seasonings added a tasty sparkle to the stew.

## Place these ingredients in separate bowls.

½ cup green pepper, chopped ½ cup sweet red onion, chopped

1 cup cauliflower or broccoli, broken into bite-size pieces

chunks 2 stalks celery, sliced into

2 cups carrots, sliced into

chunks

3 small potatoes, cut into ½

## Place these spices in a drinking cup:

1 tsp. thyme ½ tsp. basil ½ tsp. oregano

1 tsp. garlic powder

1 dashes Tabasco (or to taste) Suggestion: add 1 tsp. Justice Panko seasoning

Or 1 tsp. mixed seasoning (your

choice)

Prep 3 cups hot water; add one bouillon cube.

- In a Dutch oven, heat 2 tbsp. olive oil.
- 2. Then add, saute, and stir in one veggie at a time, adding salt as you wish.
- 3. Gradually add ¼ broth as you see the need for moisture.
- 4. Add potatoes, then spices. Add the remaining broth and a dash of salt.
- 5. Then add 1 can of kidney beans (13-15 oz. can) and rinse.
- 6. Gradually add beans. Saute, stir, mix well till spices are mixed in.
- 7. Mix well. Heat to boiling then lower heat to simmer.
- 8. Cook 30 minutes, stirring occasionally until veggies are tender.
- 9. Enjoy...with a bit of harmonizing music! Laudato Si CP Province Vegetarian Subcommittee