## Chicken Piccata

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2 split (1 whole) boneless, skinless chicken breasts
Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper
½ cup all-purpose flour
1 extra-large egg
½ Tbsp. water
¾ cup seasoned dry bread crumbs
Good olive oil

## Sauce:

3 Tbsp. unsalted butter, room temperature, divided
½ cup freshly squeezed lemon juice (2 lemons), lemon halves reserved
½ cup dry white wine
½ tsp. salt
¼ tsp. pepper
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Preheat the oven to 400°. Line a sheet pan with parchment paper. Place each chicken breast between 2 sheets of parchment paper or plastic wrap and pound out to ¼ inch thick. Sprinkle both sides with salt and pepper. Mix the flour, ½ teaspoon salt, and ¼ teaspoon of pepper in a shallow plate. In a second plate, beat the egg and water together. Place the bread crumbs on a third plate. Dip each chicken breast first in the flour, shake off the excess, and then dip in the egg mixture, and then in the bread crumbs.

Heat 1 tablespoon of olive oil in a large sauté pan over medium to medium-low heat. Add the chicken breasts and cook for 2 minutes on each side, until browned. Place them on the sheet pan and allow them to bake for 5 to 10 minutes while you make the sauce.

Sauce: Wipe out the sauté pan with a dry paper towel. Over medium heat, melt 1 tablespoon of the butter and then add the lemon juice, wine, the reserved lemon halves, ½ teaspoon salt, and ¼ teaspoon pepper. Boil over high heat until reduced in half, about 2 minutes. Take off the heat, add the remaining 2 Tbsp. of butter, and swirl to combine. Discard the lemon halves and serve 1 chicken breast on each plate. Spoon on the sauce and serve with a slice of lemon and a sprinkling of fresh parsley.