

## **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

The purpose of this Prayer Shawl Ministry is to create shawls to be given to persons who are hurting and need comfort. The distress may come from recent surgery, serious illness, grief, depression or simply loneliness. It is the hope that the gift of a shawl will express the warmth of love, hope and shared concern of the church as a whole. They can also be given for celebratory reasons such as weddings, anniversaries, new mothers, birthdays, etc. Nursing homes are full of people who would appreciate and benefit from this.

We begin each meeting with a prayer asking that God's love be woven into the yarn and that those receiving the shawls might know God's comforting and healing presence. The benefits and blessings experienced by the recipients of our shawls are expressed both verbally and in written notes. We in turn are likewise blessed.

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets at 10:00am on the 4th Saturday of the month in the conference room annex in the Edman Building.

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