

First United Methodist Church of Keller – Prayer Coverings

Note: The following patterns are suggestions. There is no right or wrong way to create these gifts of love. They do not have to look alike or be the same color.



Prayer Quilts

Pattern: Anything goes—3,4,5,6,7 or 8 inch squares

Simple 4-patch or 9-patch

Anything you feel like making!

Use machine or hand quilting or you can tie the quilts rather than quilting them.

Prayer Shawls (suggested patterns)



Knitted

This pattern is simple and uses 3 skeins of Lion Brand homespun yarn. If you have a favorite pattern, please feel free to use it!

When knitting, use size 13 needles. These needles provide a loose weave and make the project go faster. Before you begin your shawls, set aside the yarn you will need for making the fringe for both ends of the shawl.

Begin: Casting on 57 stitches

Pattern: Knit 3, Purl 3 to the end of the row. Turn and repeat the pattern. Each row will begin with Knit 3. Continue with this pattern until the shawl is the desired length. Attach fringe to the shawl.

Fringe: Make by cutting 108 lengths of yarn about 8" long. Hold 2 together and fold in half. This creates 4 ends. Pull through the finished shawl and knot.

Crocheted

- Use a 10-mm hook.
- For fringe, cut at least 108 pieces of yarn 8" long before beginning to crochet.
- CH 53, Turn, SC for 3 rows. Turn.
- Pattern row. In the second sc from hook, * do 3 dc, sk 1 st, sc in next st, sk 1 stitch, in next stitch, repeat from * for width of shawl. CH 2, turn. You should have 13 shells across. Note that the 3 dc shells are done in the center of the dc group in the row below.
- Repeat pattern row until shawl is the desired length. End with 3 rows of sc.
- Attach fringe to shawl.

Cuddly Animal Project

These hand-sewn animals will be distributed to children's hospitals for a child to keep by his/her side during a scary time in their life. They will be able to hold on to their animal during x-rays, MRI's, infusion treatments, etc. at all times. The animal will share the experience with them: it becomes their buddy for life! You can become involved by sewing the animals or stuffing them.

For more information and patterns, please contact Denise Harper through the church office 817-431-1332.