

Blessing of Prayer Shawls

Leader: Let us give voice to the gratitude and love that rest within our hearts.

All: Generous God, we thank you for bringing us together in this circle.
We thank you for the gift of knitting and the gift of praying.
We thank you for those who have passed on this ancient art to us.
We thank you for those who created the yarn,
those who brought it to market,
and those who stocked the shelves.
We are blessed by the loves of the many people
who make our knitting possible.

Leader: Let us pray for those who will receive these shawls.

All: Compassionate God,
We ask you to bless all the people for whom our shawls are knit.
May these shawls be a reminder of your presence in their lives.
May these shawls bring them love and light, hope and joy.

May God's grace be upon these shawls,
warming, comforting, enfolding, embracing.

May these mantles be a safe haven,
a sacred place for security and well-being,
sustaining and embracing in good times as well as difficult ones.

May the ones who receive these shawls
be cradled in hope, kept in joy, graced with peace,
and wrapped in love.

Blessed Be!