Prayer Shawl Words

Crossroads Presbyterian Church PC(USA) has a Prayer Shawl Ministry. This is the prayer included with the Prayer Shawl they give:
"May God's grace be upon this shawl...warming, comforting, enfolding and embracing. May this mantle be a safe haven... a sacred place of security and well-being... sustaining and embracing in good times as well as difficult ones. May the one who receives this shawl be cradled in hope, kept in joy, graced with peace, and wrapped in love. Blessed Be!"

The Prayer Shawl
-Nancy Peterson (adapted 2003)

This shawl was knit with love and care,
Each stitch made with a special prayer;
To warm you when you feel a chill,
And hold you when you're very ill.
To give you strength and hope and cheer,
To let you know that God is near.
As you wrap it 'round you tight,
Know that God blesses you

Please wear this shawl knowing that it was knit with my sympathies for what you've been through as well as with my hopes for your future happiness.

I send this shawl with the hope expressed by Frances Ellen Watkins Harper that "the shadows bear the promise of a brighter coming day." May your shadows soon turn bright.

This shawl was knitted with my deepest sympathy for what you have lost, along with my most fervent hopes for a brighter tomorrow.

I send you this shawl as one member of the human family to another. I am as grieved by your losses as if you were my sister. I am also full of hope for your future -- may it bring you all that you need and more besides.

May you wear this shawl to comfort you and keep you warm as you face the future -- a future I hope will bring you security and happiness.

Please accept this shawl as the symbol of my sympathy and concern for your troubles. May it keep you warm as you head into "a brighter coming day."

Like so many others in this country, I grieve for what you have been through. I hope this shawl will warm you inside as well as out, knowing that others care so much about you
May this shawl be for you a sign of God’s loving, healing presence. May it warm you when you are weary; may it surround you with encouragement when you are discouraged, may it assure you of God’s care and comfort when your loved ones and you are in pain. May it remind you that God loves you and that you are surrounded by the prayers of others.
Made especially for you by the hands and the praying hearts of the Prayer Shawl Ministry with each stitch prayed over.
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You may machine wash and dry your shawl.