# KNITATHON 9" SQUARE

# "the heart square"





### YARN:

approximately 65 meters of any worsted weight (4 medium) yarn **GAUGE**:

18 stitches x 24 rows in stocking stitch on 5mm = 10 cm/4 ins MATERIALS:

5 mm knitting needles, or size needed to obtain gauge.

# **ABBREVIATIONS:**

K – Knit

P - Purl

#### **FINISHED SIZE:**

9" square

## What is the CommuKNITy Cares Crochet & Knitathon?

Once a year, our group knits and crochets 9" squares. These squares are joined together into single bed sized blankets which we donate to a local charity in our community. In addition, while creating these squares, we also collect pledges for each square completed. The donations go directly to the Salvation Army's Partners in Mission campaign. The Partners in Mission program provides the necessary money to carry out the ministry of The Salvation Army worldwide and ensures that the Army continues to be a beacon of hope in countries devastated by poverty, illness and natural disasters. If you would like to get involved with the project, contact Allison at commuknitycares@gmail.com

TIP! You can create a clean finished edge to your square by simply substituting the first stitch of every row with a slip stitch. I slip the stitch purlwise with the yarn in front to create a chain stitch effect down the edge.

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

Cast on 41 stitches loosely.

Knit 2 rows.

Rows 1 & 3: K41

Row 2 & all even rows: K2, P37, K2 Row 5: K20, P1, K20 Row 7: K19, P2, K20

Row 9: K18, P2, K2, P1, K18

Row 11: K17, P2, K2, P2, K18 Row 13: K16, P2, K2, P2, K2, P1, K16 Row 15: K15, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K16

Row 17: K14, P2, K2, P2, K2, P1, K14 Row 19: K13, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K14

Row 21: K12, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P1, K12 Row 23: K11, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K12

Row 25: K10, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P1, K10 Row 27: K9, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K10

Row 29: K8, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P1, K8 Row 31: K7, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K8

Row 33: K6, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P1, K6 Row 35: K5, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K6

Row 37: K4, P2, K2, P1, K4, Row 39: K4, P1, K2, P2, K2, P1, K3 Row 43: K5, P2, K2, P1, K3

Row 45: K4, P2, K2, P2, K3, Row 47: K4, P1, K2, P2, K2

Row 49: K6, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K5 Row 51: K5, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K3, P1, K2, P2, K2, P2, K6

Row 53: K8, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2, K6, P2, K2, P2, K2, P1, K8

Row 55 & 57: K41 Row 59 & 60: K41 Cast off loosely.

TIP! With variations in yarns and knitting tensions, your square may not measure exactly 9 inches in width. In order to ensure your completed square is a perfect square try folding the bottom right corner of your work crosswise to the top left corner to create a triangle. Work the final 2 knit rows of your square when you are about 1/4" from folding a perfect triangle.

CommuKNITy Cares is an outreach ministry, spreading the hope of the gospel by showing God's love for others in our community by giving hand-knit mittens, scarves, hats and blankets to those in need. For more details follow us on Facebook & Instagram!

