Heart Washcloth

Supplies:

- Cotton Chenille (one ball of Crystal Palace Cotton Chenille will make 3 – 4 hearts)
- Size 5 needle
- Tapestry needle
- F5 crochet hook (optional)
- Stitch holder

Gauge:

5 stitches per inch (Gauge is not super important)

Abbreviations:

- k = knit
- kfb = knit into the same stitch from the front and then the back, increasing one stitch
- ssk = slip two stitches as if to knit, return them to the left needle and knit them together, decreasing one stitch
- k2tog = knit two stitches together, decreasing one stitch

Cast on one stitch
Row 1: kfb (2 stitches)
Row 2 (and every even row until row 48): k
Row 3: kfb, kfb (4 stitches)
Row 5: kfb, k2, kfb (6 stitches)
Row 7: kfb, k4, kfb (8 stitches)
Row 9: kfb, k6, kfb (10 stitches)
Row 11: kfb, k8, kfb (12 stitches)
Row 13: kfb, k10, kfb (14 stitches)
Row 15: kfb, k12, kfb (16 stitches)
Row 17: kfb, k14, kfb (18 stitches)
Row 19: kfb, k16, kfb (20 stitches)
Row 21: kfb, k18, kfb (22 stitches)
Row 23: kfb, k20, kfb (24 stitches)
Row 25: kfb, k22, kfb (26 stitches)
Row 27: kfb, k24, kfb (28 stitches)
Row 29: kfb, k26, kfb (30 stitches)
Row 31: kfb, k28, kfb (32 stitches)
Row 33: k15, kfb, k16 (33 stitches)
Row 34 – 47: k
Row 48: k18, slip the second stitch from the right needle over the first binding one off, k15
Row: 49: k16, put the remaining stitches on a stitch holder
Row 50: ssk, k12, k2tog
Row 51: ssk, k10, k2tog
Row 52: ssk, k8. K2tog
Row 53: ssk, k6, k2tog
Row 54: ssk, k4, k2tog
Row 55: ssk, k2, k2tog
Row 56: ssk, k2tog, bind off

Put the stitches on the stitch holder back on the needles. Join the yarn in the middle of the heart and knit 1 row. Then follow directions for rows 50 – 56.

Use the tapestry needle to weave in the ends. At this point you will have a plain heart washcloth.

You can dress them up a little more with some basic crochet or embroidery and contrasting chenille.
This heart is edged in crab stitch (single crochet going left to right). Blanket stitch would make a pretty edging too.

Even simpler is a simple straight stitch.