

Service & Outreach

Literacy Pittsburgh

Literacy Pittsburgh's local office shares the top floor of our church. Founded in 1982, it is now the region's largest literacy organization, serving 5,000 people each year. Through free classes and tutoring, learners can study English, prepare for the GED and U.S. citizenship tests, strengthen reading, writing, and math skills, and get ready for college or job-training entrance exams. Literacy challenges can result from learning disabilities, poverty, violence, caregiving responsibilities, or the need to learn English. These barriers can affect daily life and future opportunities while also carrying broader social and economic costs.

On Sunday, September 13, we will welcome Miranda and Mary from Literacy Pittsburgh to share more about the organization's work to support literacy in our community and how we may be able to encourage, support, and partner with this important organization.

One way to help is by donating the following items for Literacy Pittsburgh's "free cabinet." Needed items include:

- Diapers (size 1-5)
- Dental floss
- Non-perishable foods/snacks (chips, crackers, cup noodles, drinks, granola bars, oats, energy bars, microwaveable items like ravioli, canned fruits/vegetables, instant coffee or tea)
- Hairbrushes, combs
- Shampoo, conditioner
- Razors, shaving cream
- Deodorant
- Dental floss
- Hand sanitizer
- Makeup, makeup remover
- Tissues (portable)
- Soap (bar or liquid)
- School supplies (notebooks, pens, pencils, folders, etc.)
- Adult socks, coats, shoes, pants, gloves, hats, scarves
- Children's clothing (ages 12-18)

Monetary donations can be made through our regular Sunday offering, simply mark your donation for "Literacy Pittsburgh," and material donations can be dropped off at the outreach table in the Narthex. Please make all donations by Sunday, September 27.

Let's help our neighbors through Literacy Pittsburgh to create a more inclusive and productive community driven by access to education!