

## **Oregon Circuit**

### **Grace, Portland—Thad Bitter**

Regather. Reinvigorate. Reassess. That's the goal Grace has for every area of ministry in 2022. In regathering we hope to double in person attendance for worship and bible classes in 2022 back to pre-pandemic levels and maintain our strong online presence. In reinvigorating we are adding new ministry opportunities for every age group at Grace: ROOTED for 20-30 yr. olds in Oregon Circuit, CrossOver Basketball, summer soccer & academic camps, restarting Canyonview Bible Camp, sponsoring retreats, rallying and mission trips for members to attend. In reassessing we have formed a steering committee to involve all our members in small group discussions to reassess our ministry needs and the potential sale of our properties and relocation of ministry in Portland. Grace School had a K-8 reenrollment of 76 and preschool enrollment of 20. Megan Schwartz accepted a call to Wisconsin and we are planning an April 6<sup>th</sup> call meeting for our next 5-6 teacher.

### **Peace, Vancouver—Gary Kraklow**

Transition. With Phil Janisch accepting the call to Peace the retirement date for Gary Kraklow is set. Janisch's are planning to move at the beginning of June with and June 19<sup>th</sup> installation. Peace is currently planning a retirement celebration for Gary.

### **Beautiful Savior, Corvallis—Luke Tembreull**

Moving Forward. In person attendance even during covid restriction remained consistent. Some recent tech problems have presented some challenges in worship but recent outreach opportunities have provided blessings.

### **Beautiful Savior, Hillsboro—Scott Mews**

Maintaining. Small group bible study continues to be the focus. Reading through the bible together is the ongoing plan and allowing members to discuss God's Word together as they read. Strong member involvement in ministry but struggling with growth and recent challenges with finances and youth ministry. Beautiful Savior will be celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary on September 11<sup>th</sup>.

### **Amazing Grace, Portland—Joe Johnson**

Status Quo. Worship for the past year has continued at Grace Lutheran School on Sunday mornings. A potential rental site has been located in Oregon City. Amazing Grace leadership is exploring rental and renovation costs. Small Group continue to be the focus at AGLC. Not having an established ministry site makes growth challenging.

### **Hope, Tigard—Paul Bourman**

Growing. Worshipping at Broadway Theater and daily ministry at Hope Ministry Center in Tigard. Using "church on wheels" for worship... easy set up and take down but some technical difficulties. Started small group bible studies. Meeting new people on a consistent basis and using opportunities to share God's Word with them and bring them into Hope family. About 20-25 in worship on Sunday. Along with Grace and Beautiful Savior active in ROOTED.

**Trinity, Eugene—Mark Swanson**

Renovating. Renovating building with the planned addition of a limited access elevator and a 3<sup>rd</sup> ADA compliant restroom. Renovating ministry by involving members and encouraging friendship evangelism. Also added a Sunday bible class called “Bible Basics & Brunch”.

**Immanuel, Salem—Craig Wasser**

Building. Moving forward with plans to add onto building. Costs for project have risen from 1M to 1.9M. However, a member contractor has stepped forward to bid at 1M. Also adjoining property / home next to church is being purchased by member which has great ministry possibilities in the future. Immanuel continues to regather following covid with in person worship attendance returning to normal and more outreach opportunities. Immanuel School K-8 enrollment remains consistent in 80's with strong enrollment for Kindergarten (20) and lower grades next year. Immanuel staff continues to transition. Springers are headed to MN this summer. Dale Rundgren accepted the call to Immanuel. Micah Wendt is holding a call to WI.