

# Hawaiian Church Chronicle

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***The Season of Advent***

## **Kaua'i Happenings**

Visit the Diocese's Community Calendar page [HERE](#) for ongoing activities in your neighborhood.

### **Annual KIA Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon**



For over 15 years, the Kapa'a Interfaith Association (KIA) made up of seven churches in the town of Kapa'a, has put on an annual Thanksgiving luncheon for its close-knit community. The event begins with an interfaith service followed by a delicious turkey meal.

All Saints' Episcopal Church has been hosting the event for many of those years, but this year, it required more than one site to handle the hundreds of meals being prepared and distributed. The interfaith service was held at All Saints', organized by the Rev. David Jackson, and involved priests and associates from seven churches. All Saints' and neighboring Kapa'a Hongwanji Mission is where all the meals were packed up for delivery or pick-up. In total, 725 meals were delivered to 300 locations by 37 sets of drivers, and 700 meals picked up at All Saints'. 750 flower bouquets were also put together to accompany the meals.

It is truly a community effort with dozens of volunteers involved and the generosity of many, but the event wouldn't be as successful or delicious without Kaua'i's most well-known chef, Mark Oyama, owner of Mark's place and Contemporary Flavors, and his crew of nearly three dozen (pictured with orange shirts), donating their time to prepare and cook the entire meal, while helping onsite as well!