Happy Holidays

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Cookies and sweets during the holidays all awaken the senses to the Christmas season like a warm fire and falling snow.

The ladies at the First Christian Church (Disiples of Christ) in Dexter have been focusing on the senses - particularly the taste buds in recently weeks. The seventh annual Cookie Walk meant dozens of tables this Saturday with a plethora of homemade Christmas cookies.

Folks were lined up outside the doors of the congregation's Disciple Center before 10 on Saturday morning. And they waited patiently for the chance to be one of the first to enter the large center and take in the sights – and aroma – of the Cookie Walk.

Once inside, it really was a cookie lover's dream. Trays on tables throughout the hall held rows and rows of cookies. Chocolate chip, date balls, chocolate-dipped Oreo balls, caramel coffee tassies, and more than your eye can take in.

Taking a box and a glove at the front door, shoppers when from table to table – picking cookies an all shapes and flavors.

"Can I have some wax paper," was often heard, with folks wanting a second layer of cookies for their box. Youngsters would eye cookies ... and not decided if they wanted the one loaded with chocolate candies or the cookies with a snowman. Maybe both could

go in the box?

And up front was a special table. Decorated not in the green and red of the holiday season, but with pink – pink to remember the fight to find a cure for breast cancer, and to remember of the warriors who lost her battle recently against the disease.

Karen Pippins' friends at First Christian Church had a special table with pink ribbon cookies and a candle burning to remember their friend. Pippins died in November after more than a dozen years valiantly fighting the disease.

Special pink cookies were sold separately from the holiday treats, with proceeds to go to be used as a memorial at the church.

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