# Chrismons:

Chrismons<sup>TM</sup>Ornaments were originated and first made for use on the Christmas tree of Ascension Lutheran Church in Danville, Virginia, in 1957 by Mrs. Frances Kipps Spencer, a church member. The designs were monograms of and symbols for our Lord Jesus Christ. Because these designs have been used



#### The Twelve Pointed Star

This star is used at Epiphany, the twelfth day of Christmas, on which the church celebrates the manifestation of Christ as the Son of God.



The Lamb "Behold the Lamb of God, which takes away the sin of the world" John 1:29



#### The Bell

Bells in church towers and spires summon the faithful to worship. The sanctus beel at the altar announces the coming of Christ.



The Harp The represents music, instruments, joy and worship in praising God.

The Maltese Cross

" And they took Jesus, and led Him away. And He, bearing His cross, forth into a place called the place of the skull, which is called Golgotha, where they crucified Him." John 19:16-18

#### **IHS Cross**

The first three letters of the Greek word for Jesus (also written IHS), iota-eta-sigma is a symbol for His given name, "Saviour".



#### The Alpha - Omega

"I am the alpha and omega, the beginning and end." Revelations 1:8 The first and last letters of the Greek alphabet, symbolic of the Eternal Christ of Creation and Judgement.

#### The Cross and Dove



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#### The Lamp

When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world." John 8:12 Symbol of the light of the world.

#### The Descending Dove

"And I saw the Spirit descend as a dove from heaven, and it remained on Him." John 1:32 Symbol of God the Holy Spirit, of the abiding presence of God with us.



### The Crown and the Cross

"He who bears the cross in this life will wear the crown in the next life." Symobl of Reward of the Faithful



#### The Sea Shell

"Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized by John in the Iordan" Mark 1:9







by his followers since biblical times, they are the heritage of all Christians and serve to remind each of us regardless of denomination of the One we follow. All Chrismonstm Ornaments are made in a combination of white and gold to symbolize the purity and majesty of the Son of God and the Son of Man.



The Cross in Glory A rising sun behind the cross symbolizes the new day of the Resurrection.



#### The Christmas Rose

"The dessert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose" Isaiah 35:1 In Christian symbolism, the white rose is a symbol of purity.





#### The Anchor Cross

"Hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast." Hebrews 6:19 Symbol of Christ, the hope of the world rising out of the crescent moon, symbol for Mary.



#### The Chalice

"This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." I Corinthians 11:25 symbol of the Last Supper, Holy Communion, forgiveness of sins.