



Central Chrismon Tree Ornaments

As the first Christmases in the new church on North Main Street were celebrated in the early 1960s, the women of UMW were inspired to create lasting Christmas decorations that would glorify God in the season of Jesus' birth. Their desire was to glorify God in a lasting tribute to be used each year at Christmas time in the sanctuary. They chose to hand-make Chrismon ornaments that represent a variety of biblical and theological concepts or well-known Christian symbols. Chrismons are all white with gold decorations of beads, ribbon, and glitter. These are essentially Christ-Monograms - crowns, crosses, doves, stars, butterflies etc. Each Christmas, two large trees decorated entirely in these ornaments flank the altar of the sanctuary. Setting up these trees each year, is a reminder of the fellowship and commitment that went into the making of these and of the Love of Christ that came down that first Christmas.

Examples of Central's Chrismon Ornaments

