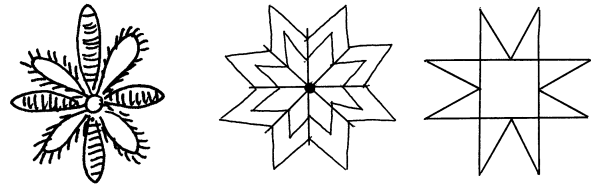


Religious Symbols

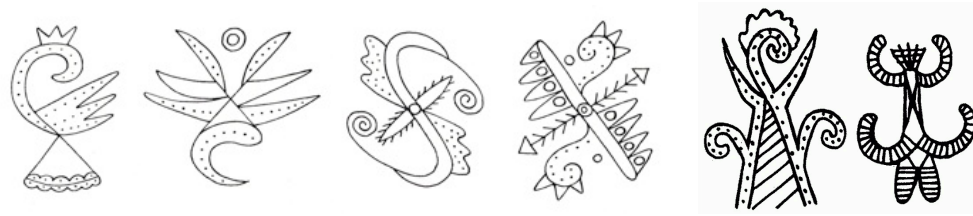
Star/Ruzha : sun (Dazhboh)



Sun: life, God (Dazhboh)



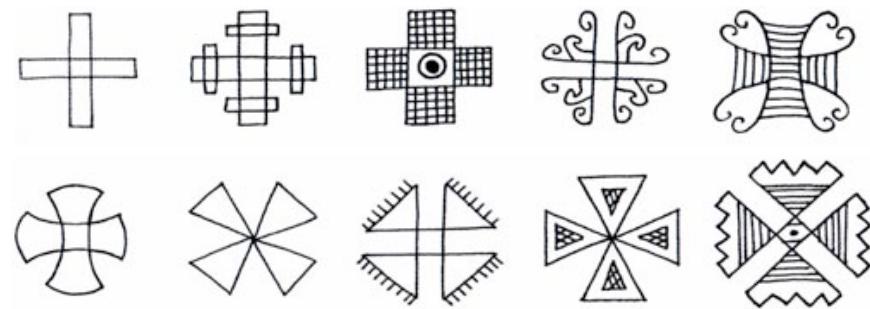
Berehynia
(Great Goddess)



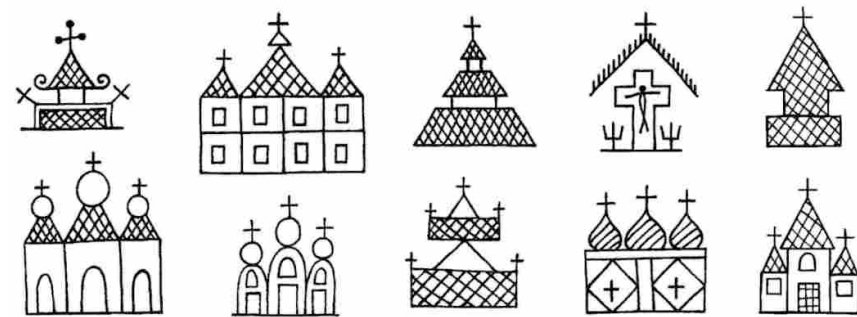
Serpent/Zmiya
(Water God)



Cross: Sun symbol;
Svaroh, Christ



Churches



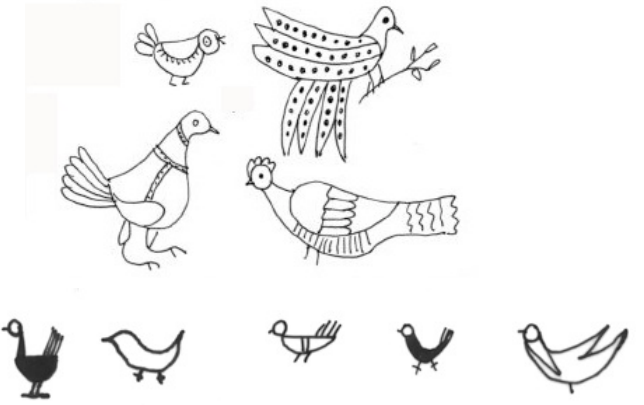
Meander: eternity



Pysanka Symbolism

Animal Symbols

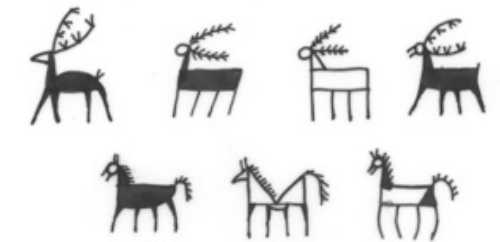
Birds: harbingers of spring
renewal of life and nature



Rooster, Rooster's comb: sun symbol



Horse, Deer: sun symbols/Dazhboh
prosperity, good health



Poultry (ducks, chicken, geese):
fertility



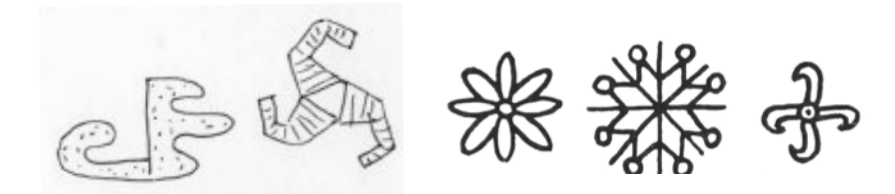
Ram's (& horns): perseverance,
leadership, strength, dignity



Fish: life, health, fertility,
Jesus Christ



Spider, Spider web: good luck



Geometric Symbols

Rhombus and triangles:
farm fields



Spirals and curls: protection,
defense



Tripods: various trinities
(cycle of life, family unit,
christian trinity)



Heart: love



Plant symbols

Pine, horsetail: eternal youth,
good health



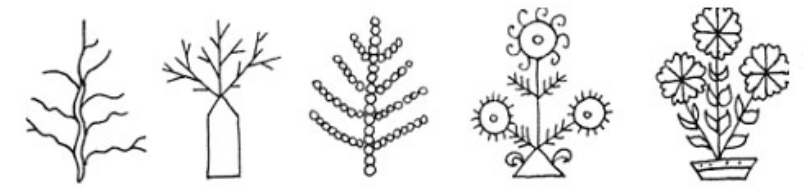
Tree/branch/leaves: strength,
growth



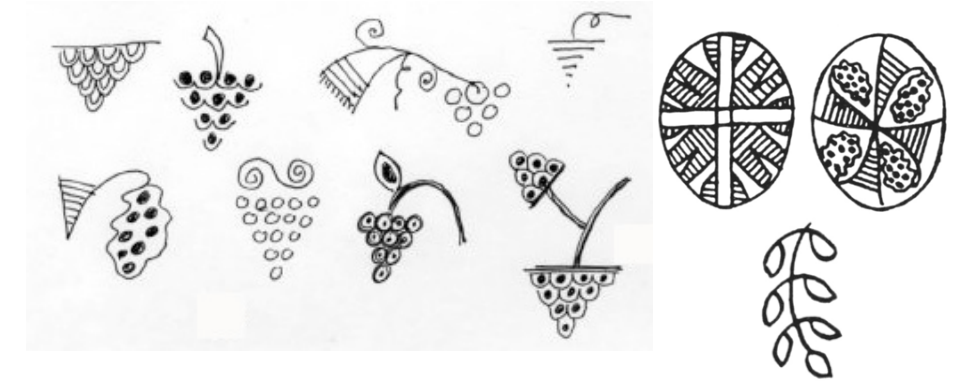
Oak (leaves, acorns): health, long life,
the god Perun



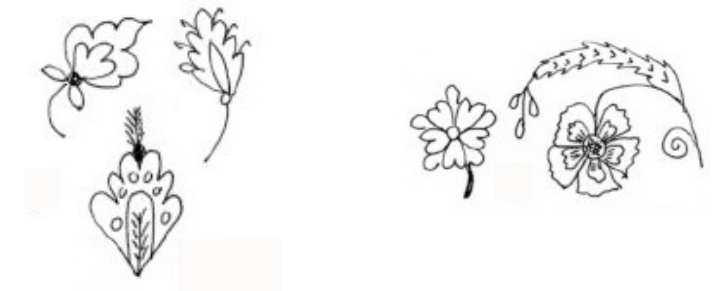
"Vazon" (tree of life):
plant fertility



Grapes: Holy communion,
good harvest

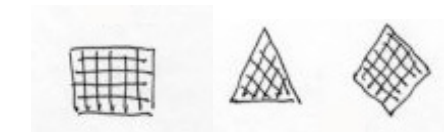


Flowers: love, wisdom

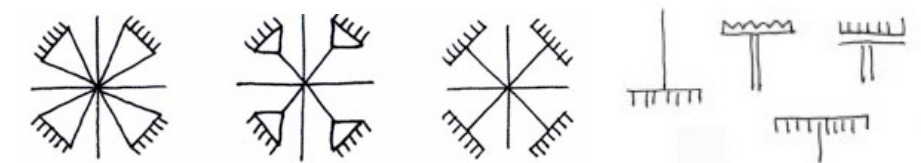


Household Symbols

Sieve (resheto): plowed fields



Rakes, combs: cloud
symbols—rain, water



Windmills: Svaroh, movement
of the sun across the sky

