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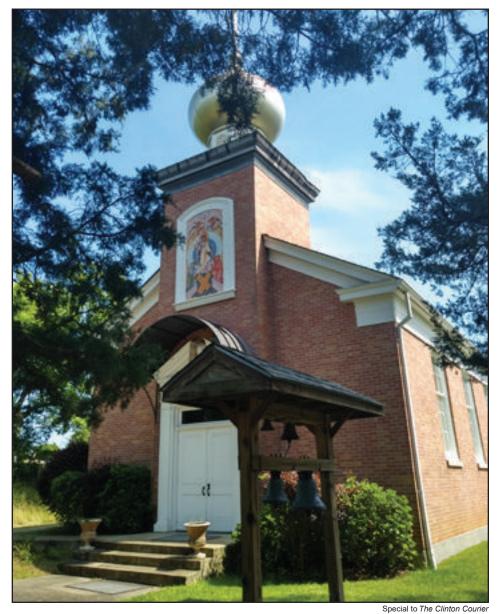
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New outdoor icon installed at Holy Resurrection



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A new exterior icon was recently installed above the

front door of Holy Resurrection Orthodox Church on College Street in Clinton.

"Most Orthodox think of this image as the icon of the Resurrection," said Fr. Paul Yerger, pastor of Holy Resurrec-tion. "To be specific, it depicts the descent of Christ into Hades. Christian tradition (alluded to in 1 Peter 4:18) is that when our Lord died on the cross, He went on to descend among the dead. In the icon, we see Him descending into the darkness of death, not as a pris-

oner like others; but as a conqueror, bringing a brilliant light of victory. The gates of Hades

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lie broken at His feet. His arms are extended to lift Adam and Eve and

all the dead from their coffins to be raised with Him. Death is swallowed up in victory."

The icon was painted by iconographer Vladimir Grigorenko of Dallas. It is set in a wood frame designed by Al Lawson and built by Brooks Pettit. With its frame, the icon is about ten feet in height and six feet wide. It was installed by FMS Lighting of Jackson.

The icon is a memorial to Matushka Sissy Yerger, late wife of Fr. Paul Yerger.

Inside the church are fourteen large wall murals and many portrait-size icons. Those interested may schedule a tour of them by

contacting Father Paul at fatherpaul@holyres.net.

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