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A Timeless Approach

our May cover story (also April's Civil Engineering cover) starts with a statement of the owner's desire to capture the timeless architecture of a Gothic cathedral. It further states that "the design team's job was to make it work with a \$20 million budget and a tight schedule."

For this magnificent, classic architectural style, a timeless approach was used. "Matrix structural engineers worked directly the steel detailer to answer questions rather than go through a formal RFI process, and shop drawings were submitted in multiple packages to allow fabrication to begin as detailing continued. The result: The building was completed on schedule and in time to install the pipe organ before the first service."

Alleluia and Amen.

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