



CHURCH OF OUR LADY

The challenge that the craftsmen had to face sounds paradox: would they be able to build it the way they would have done it in former times? They were – and they combined old and new techniques impressively: The old church, built between 1726 and 1743 after the plans of George Bähr, burned out after the bombing of Dresden 1945 and collapsed.

Since May 27, 1994 rebuilding is in progress – using the original (dark) stones that were found usable during the cleaning of the site.

In July 2003 the dome was completed, reaching two thirds of the original height, yet missing the more than 98 feet tall lantern with the holy cross on top.

In 2004 the exterior is scheduled to be finished. Being the most remarkable dome building north of the alps and the symbol of protestant churches the Frauenkirche – Church of Our Lady – will be one of the most important pieces of European cultural history again.