Ethan Sullivan ’19, a chemistry major who runs on Cedarville’s cross country and track teams. Ethan views chapel as an essential part of his day and recognizes the incredible impact it has on the lives of students. “Chapel is not only one of my favorite parts of every day at Cedarville,” he shared, “but by diving into God’s Word, lifting my voice to Him, and engaging my heart, chapel has allowed me to bask in my relationship with the Lord. Chapel, with its speakers and scripture reading, has truly revived my faith and reaffirmed in my life that God’s grace is enough. Jesus nailed my sin to the cross.”

Ethan hopes to serve God throughout the rest of his life. “While pursuing a profession in the medical field, I want those who work around me and the patients that I will serve to know that God does perform miracles. For the rest of my life, I desire to live out that God’s grace can save us, regardless of our own desires,” he said. Because of the gifts from generous donors, students like Ethan can continue to grow closer to Christ through chapel.

HOME: Springfield, Ohio
YEAR: Freshman
LOCATION: Brock Hall
MAJOR: Chemistry
EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: Cross country, indoor and outdoor track

Campaign for the Jeremiah Chapel

Chapel has been the heartbeat of Cedarville throughout the years, and it continues to impact lives. Your gift to the Campaign for the Jeremiah Chapel will allow this life-changing ministry to continue.

CEDARVILLE.EDU/CHAPELCAMPAIGN
King spoke from 2 Corinthians 11:16–33, where Paul’s character is questioned and attacked by false teachers. Paul boasts in his weaknesses, placing Christ firmly above his own selfish desires. King challenged the students with four things they can do in the face of pain: simply live, simply die, suffering in purify motives, and testify to God’s grace. He encouraged students to view weakness as a powerful tool instead of a flaw.

For Tuesday morning’s chapel service, King gave a message titled “Strong Enough to Save,” speaking on the power of God to connect and convainc sinners. King’s message on Tuesday evening, titled “The Pain, the Process, and the Point,” focused on how the process of refining in a Christian’s life is the fulfillment of Christ’s promise. Paul’s weaknesses caused the painful process of redemption in him. According to King, “The primary purpose of pain is to be humble in their brokenness and to see their struggles as a blessing. Christian life. He encouraged students to view weakness as a powerful tool instead of a flaw.

Painful experiences can teach a Christian about his own father’s struggle with health problems. Ultimately, King’s father passed away, leaving him alone and broken and experiencing an emotion he had never felt before. In fact, King remarked, it was near inexplicable, and he broke down in front of his father’s deathbed. However, he realized that his father was in heaven. On his knees, in his weakness, King said on his knees, in his weakness, King said, “If I’m not dead, God’s not done.” King emphasized how important trials and weaknesses are in the life of a Christian and encouraged students to embrace these challenges in order to grow closer to God. He encouraged students to offer their personal relationship with Jesus Christ and their problems. Ultimately, King’s father passed away, leaving him alone and broken and experiencing an emotion he had never felt before. In fact, King remarked, it was near inexplicable, and he broke down in front of his father’s deathbed. However, he realized that his father was in heaven. On his knees, in his weakness, King said, “If I’m not dead, God’s not done.”

King told students that even if they did not know what they were doing with their lives, they could still be used by God. King stated, “God uses us in obscurity before we use you publicly.” He explained that every Christian is called to ministry and our insecurities should not hinder ministry. King invited students to respond if they felt called to full-time ministry by asking them to publicly join others at the front of the chapel. Ninety three students responded to the call. King continued the service by praying over the students’ futures and asking the Lord to bless their ministries.

King concluded the Bible conference with a message titled “Stronger Companion.” He reminded the student body that God’s hands are behind every moment purpose. The struggles that students face now and in the future will be used in their ministry, often in unexpected ways. No one wants to endure hardships, but it is better to have Christ during those hard times than to avoid trials altogether. King told students that when they feel like their life is out of control, that is when they need to depend on Christ the most.

Students lives were changed for eternity by this message. Over 93 more committed to a call to missions. The student body has grown from 2,509 in 1996 to 3,711 in the fall of 2015, thus our witness to students and faculty and staff members continues to expand. Clayton King, founder of Clayton King Ministries and this year’s conference speaker, spoke to more than 4,800 students and faculty and staff members over the course of four days. He shared the story of his own life, including the death of his mother and father. He spoke about weakness and brokenness and how God uses those times as a way to worship him, and as a way to heal.

This is only one of many instances that God has worked mightily in the chapel of Cedarville University. Through four different buildings as well as four different presidents in the last 60 years, chapel has served as the heartbeat of our campus and our mission to exist “For the Word of God and the Testimony of Jesus Christ.” Summer 2016 will be the 20-year anniversary of the Jeremiah Chapel in the Student Center. This facility has served Cedarville well, the time has come for renovation. The life expectancy of pews has expired, while the color of the carpet and pattern on the fabric testify to the style of a time and place.

The renovation of the chapel will not only improve students’ ability to worship, but also greatly expand our ability to partner with us in our mission. We want you to raise your “stone of remembrance” through placing a plaque on the back of a seat in chapel, signifying all that God has done in this place, and thereby remind future students of God’s faithfulness to His people and His promises, signaled by the Jordan’s waters drying up as the Ark of the Covenant passed over. As part of our chapel renovation, we would like to invite you to “raise up your own stone of remembrance” through placing a plaque on the back of a seat in chapel, signifying all that God has done in this place, and thereby remind future students of God’s faithfulness to Cedarville University throughout its 127-year history. For a gift of $250 dollars or more, we will place a plaque of remembrance on a seat in the renovated chapel. On this plaque, we will inscribe a Bible verse of your choice, along with your family and friends’ names and your year of graduation (if applicable). When your family and friends come to visit, you can then take them up to your plaque of remembrance and tell them about what God has done in your life. Future students may look up your verse at the precise moment when God knows they need it.

I have the privilege of serving at a place where it feels like genuine revival could break out at any moment. I feel strongly enough that I have laid in bed at night thinking through what I would say or do that day when no one is looking. I believe that chapel because God had revealed Himself to us in a such a way that all cry out to Him broken over our unfilledness, concern over lost friends and relatives, heartbroken at the unfilledness of our society, and in awe of his majesty. I pray that as we renovate our area of the chapel, the sound, video, carpet, seating, paint, rails, lights and stage, we ask for your help. We want to provide an opportunity to our alumni and friends of the University to invest in the most important part of Cedarville University—to invest in eternity for generations to come.

In our lives, the story of loss in his own life, including the death of his mother and father. He spoke about weaknesses and brokenness and how God uses those times as a way to worship him, and as a way to heal. This is only one of many instances that God has worked mightily in the chapel of Cedarville University. Through four different buildings as well as four different presidents in the last 60 years, chapel has served as the heartbeat of our campus and our mission to exist “For the Word of God and the Testimony of Jesus Christ.” Summer 2016 will be the 20-year anniversary of the Jeremiah Chapel in the Student Center. This facility has served Cedarville well, the time has come for renovation. The life expectancy of pews has expired, while the color of the carpet and pattern on the fabric testify to the style of a time and place.

The renovation of the chapel will not only improve students’ ability to worship, but also greatly expand our ability to partner with us in our mission. We want you to raise your “stone of remembrance” through placing a plaque on the back of a seat in chapel, signifying all that God has done in this place, and thereby remind future students of God’s faithfulness to Cedarville University throughout its 127-year history. For a gift of $250 dollars or more, we will place a plaque of remembrance on a seat in the renovated chapel. On this plaque, we will inscribe a Bible verse of your choice, along with your family and friends’ names and your year of graduation (if applicable). When your family and friends come to visit, you can then take them up to your plaque of remembrance and tell them about what God has done in your life. Future students may look up your verse at the precise moment when God knows they need it.

I have the privilege of serving at a place where it feels like genuine revival could break out at any moment. I feel strongly enough that I have laid in bed at night thinking through what I would say or do that day when no one is looking. I believe that chapel because God had revealed Himself to us in a such a way that all cry out to Him broken over our unfilledness, concern over lost friends and relatives, heartbroken at the unfilledness of our society, and in awe of his majesty. I pray that as we renovate our area of the chapel, the sound, video, carpet, seating, paint, rails, lights and stage, we ask for your help. We want to provide an opportunity to our alumni and friends of the University to invest in the most important part of Cedarville University—to invest in eternity for generations to come.

In the renovated chapel, we will serve as the heartbeat of our campus and partner with us in our mission. We want you to raise your “stone of remembrance” through placing a plaque on the back of a seat in chapel, signifying all that God has done in this place, and thereby remind future students of God’s faithfulness to Cedarville University throughout its 127-year history. For a gift of $250 dollars or more, we will place a plaque of remembrance on a seat in the renovated chapel. On this plaque, we will inscribe a Bible verse of your choice, along with your family and friends’ names and your year of graduation (if applicable). When your family and friends come to visit, you can then take them up to your plaque of remembrance and tell them about what God has done in your life. Future students may look up your verse at the precise moment when God knows they need it.

I have the privilege of serving at a place where it feels like genuine revival could break out at any moment. I feel strongly enough that I have laid in bed at night thinking through what I would say or do that day when no one is looking. I believe that chapel because God had revealed Himself to us in a such a way that all cry out to Him broken over our unfilledness, concern over lost friends and relatives, heartbroken at the unfilledness of our society, and in awe of his majesty. I pray that as we renovate our area of the chapel, the sound, video, carpet, seating, paint, rails, lights and stage, we ask for your help. We want to provide an opportunity to our alumni and friends of the University to invest in the most important part of Cedarville University—to invest in eternity for generations to come.