



## Investment Team

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## Characteristics

Total Net Assets  
(millions) \$82.44

Number of holdings: 70

## Top 10 Holdings

U.S. Bank Money Market  
Deposit Account

Kemper

ChampionX

Selective Insurance Group

Ichor Holdings

PNM Resources

Minerals Technologies

Tri Pointe Homes

Columbus McKinnon

Eagle Materials

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## Market Overview

At quarter's end the U.S. economy was stronger than anticipated, bond yields were higher, and investors had embraced the elusive soft landing. Equity indices reached new highs despite moderating expectations for interest rate cuts, narrow markets, and extended valuations. Big tech and artificial intelligence remained dominant themes driving large-cap and growth stocks to far outpace smaller stocks and value. Optimism abounded as investors hoped that broadening earnings growth would widen participation within those indices. The Russell 2000® Value Index was the weakest of the major indices, returning 3% while many others rose significantly more, topping 10% in a couple of cases. Interest rate-sensitive sectors – financials, real estate and utilities – trailed along with communication services while economically sensitive energy, industrials, and materials, along with healthcare, performed strongest.

## Fund Review

### Top performing-securities

Masonite International, a manufacturer and marketer of residential doors, agreed to be acquired by a larger building products company.

Kemper is a property and casualty insurer focusing on specialized coverages distributed through independent agents. The company demonstrated improved profitability and a renewed focus on growth after implementing price increases to cover previously inflated loss costs.

Eagle Materials is a building products and construction materials supplier. Investors reacted positively to strong cement demand and pricing along with the prospects for strengthening fundamentals in the company's wallboard segment.

ChampionX, a provider of hydrocarbon production chemicals and oilfield equipment, delivered better growth and margin performance in recent results, and investor psychology benefited from higher oil prices.

Dycom Industries specializes in engineering, construction, and installation services to telecommunications and utility customers. Despite the unfavorable impact of weather on recent results, investors favorably viewed Dycom's growing backlog for broadband buildouts along with improving margins due to the company's customer mix and better operational execution.

### Bottom-performing securities

Columbia Banking is a regional bank with operations primarily across the Pacific Northwest. Shares declined as interest rates rose and higher deposit funding costs pressured the bank's net interest margin.

Healthcare Realty, a real estate investment trust owning medical office buildings, struggled as progress stalled on improving leasing and rental rates in an acquired medical office building portfolio. We sold this stock.

Pacific Premier Bank is a regional bank with operations primarily in Southern California. Shares declined as interest rates rose, loan growth slowed, and the bank reduced brokered deposits.

Jack in the Box, a franchisor of the Jack in the Box and Del Taco quick-service restaurants, faced competitive industry conditions and light restaurant traffic along with delays in restaurant refranchising and new unit development due in part to higher interest rates.

Plexus is an electronics manufacturing services company building low-volume, complex products for customers in healthcare, industrial and aerospace/defense markets. Weaker customer demand and inventory destocking clipped volumes and margins.

## Fund Review (cont'd.)

Top Securities	Average Weight (%)	Contribution to Return (%)
Masonite International	0.88	0.67
Kemper	2.11	0.54
Eagle Materials	1.89	0.53
ChampionX	1.80	0.41
Dycom Industries	1.63	0.39
Bottom Securities		
Columbia Banking	1.33	-0.50
Healthcare Realty	0.85	-0.34
Pacific Premier Bank	1.45	-0.30
Jack in the Box	1.54	-0.27
Plexus	1.67	-0.26

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## Outlook

Equity investors responded enthusiastically to a slightly stronger economic outlook in spite of rising interest rates. Risks remain in commercial real estate and consumer credit quality deterioration, the draining of consumer savings, election uncertainty, and geopolitics. But for now, liquidity reigns. Our stock selection process is primarily driven from the bottom up and continues to prioritize business quality and financial strength, potentially providing a source of downside risk mitigation if investor optimism wanes. Portfolio positioning results primarily from our selection decisions, resulting in overweights in information technology, industrials and consumer discretionary with underweights in healthcare, financials and energy.

**Risk Considerations:** Mutual fund investing involves risk, including the potential loss of principal. Small Cap stocks may be less liquid and are more susceptible to market volatility because they may not have the management experience, financial resources, product diversification, or competitive strengths and tend to be sold less often and in smaller amounts relative to larger companies. Foreign securities involve greater currency valuation, economic, political, and regulatory environment risk relative to US securities. The Fund may invest in ETFs and therefore would be subject to the same risks as the underlying securities in which the ETF invests as well as entails higher expenses than if invested into the underlying ETF directly.

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Prior to June 30, 2022 the wholesaling and marketing efforts were provided by, among others, Chartwell TSC Securities Corp., an affiliate broker dealer, member FINRA. Chartwell Investment Partners, LLC and Chartwell TSC Securities Corp. were both wholly owned subsidiaries of TriState Capital Holdings, Inc. Beginning July 1, 2022: the fund was re-named the Carillon Chartwell Small Cap Value Fund; the underwriting, wholesaling and marketing efforts became provided by Carillon Fund Distributors, Inc., member FINRA; Chartwell Investment Partners, LLC became the sub-adviser for the fund as well as a subsidiary of Carillon Tower Advisers, Inc., which became the investment adviser. All entities named are affiliates.

The fund is the successor to the Chartwell Small Cap Value Fund pursuant to a reorganization involving the Fund and the Predecessor Fund that occurred on July 1, 2022. The Class Chartwell shares of the

fund have adopted the performance history and financial statements of the Predecessor Fund. Prior to the date of the reorganization, the fund had no investment operations. Accordingly, the performance information, including information on fees and expenses and financial information provided in the prospectus for periods prior to the reorganization (the Fund's commencement of operations) is historical information for the Predecessor Fund. Given the above, unless specifically stated otherwise, subsequent references in this section to the Fund should be read to include the Predecessor Fund, as well as the other predecessor funds described below.

Prior to this reorganization, the fund acquired the assets and liabilities of the Chartwell Small Cap Value Fund (the "IMST Predecessor Fund," and together with the Chartwell Predecessor Fund, the "Predecessor Funds"), a series of Investment Managers Series Trust, on July 17, 2017. As a result of the reorganization, the fund is the accounting successor of the Predecessor Funds.

**While the Fund is no load, there are management fees and operating expenses that do apply. Such fees and expenses are described in the Fund's Prospectus.**

#### Definitions

Brokered deposits are deposits made to banks by third-party brokers. Individual investors often are attracted to brokered deposits for the higher rates of interest they offer.

Destocking describes the reduction in the inventory that a company holds, either through market demand or company decisions to reduce or hold less of a particular product or products.

Growth investing is a stock-buying strategy that focuses on companies expected to grow at an above-average rate compared to their industry or the market.

Market capitalization, or market cap, refers to the total dollar market value of a company's outstanding shares of stock.

A net interest margin compares the net interest income a bank generates from credit products like loans and mortgages with the outgoing interest it pays holders of savings accounts and certificates of deposit. Expressed as a percentage, net interest margin is an indicator of profitability indicator that reflects the chances of a bank thriving over the long term.

Overweight describes a portfolio position in an industry sector or some other category that is greater than the corresponding weight level in a benchmark portfolio.

Positioning refers to assessments of whether professional investors are, on the whole, bullish or bearing on a particular security, industry, sector, market capitalization or other area of the market, as reflected by the extent to which they are invested in the area of the market in question.

Refranchising refers to the sale or conversion of company-owned stores or outlets to local franchisees.

A soft landing is a cyclical slowdown in economic growth that avoids a recession.

Underweight describes a portfolio position in an industry sector or some other category that is less than the corresponding weight level in a benchmark portfolio.

Value investing is an investment strategy that involves picking stocks that appear to be trading for less than their intrinsic or book value.

#### Index

The Russell 2000<sup>®</sup> Value Index, the Fund's benchmark index, is an unmanaged index that measures the performance of those Russell 2000 companies with lower price-to-book ratios and lower forecasted growth values.

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