

# NORTH SQUARE

# **Strategic Income Fund**

TICKER Class I: ADVNX | Class A: ADVAX

### **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE**

The investment objectives of the North Square Strategic Income Fund are to seek high current income and to seek long term capital appreciation.

#### **INVESTMENT OVERVIEW**

The strategy is predominantly a high-quality diversified mix of global assets structured to achieve high current income and excess returns with reduced correlation to traditional asset classes and managed to outperform its benchmark, the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Index.

#### **1** Philosophy:

CLASS I

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Invests in a wide range of income producing asset classes, while focusing on high quality, low leverage and transparency, helps limit volatility and downside risk. A lower overall correlation to equity and fixed income enhances return per unit of risk.

BLMBRG US AGG BND INDX

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MRNNGSTR US MLTI-SEC BND

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**CALENDAR YEAR RETURNS (%)** 

**AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (%)** 

### 2 Investment Approach:

A global, flexible approach allows tactical changes among a variety of income producing asset classes. Employs a top down macro perspective with bottom up security selection with an emphasis on high quality, relative value and high current income.

YTD

-0.23

2.09

2.87

2018

-1.99

0.01

-1.57

1Yr

0.98

-0.94

3.28

2019

11.04

8.72

9.68

3 Yrs

0.91

-3.96

0.73

2020

11.7

7.51

4.82

QTD

0.21

-0.84

0.54

2017

6.07

3.54

6.13

#### **3** Risk Management:

3.39

0.77

1.71

2021

5.28

-1.54

2.29

Along with broad diversification across asset classes and a high quality credit focus, the fund has strict issuer limits of less than 4% and defined sector ranges for bonds, preferreds, convertibles, REITS, high dividend equities, high yield debt and emerging market exposure.

5 Yrs 10 Yrs Inception<sup>1</sup>

3.43

1.52

2.64

2022

-13.01

-9.93

-8.4

Since

3.37

1.21

2.22

Inception

12/31/2012

Date

# OVERALL MORNINGSTAR RATING

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#### MORNINGSTAR CATEGORY MULTISECTOR BOND

Class I shares rated 5 overall stars by Morningstar among 311 Multisector Bond funds for the period ended 6/30/23 based on risk-adjusted performance. For the 3-year period the fund was rated 3 stars out of 311 funds ,while for the 5-year period the fund was rated 5 stars out of 260 funds and 5 stars out of 160 funds for the 10-year period.

#### FUND FACTS

Subadvisor	Red Cedar Inv mgmt
Total Net Assets	\$167.9 M
Holdings	136
Dividend	Monthly
Effective Duration Bonds & Preferreds	4.40
Yield to Maturity	7.74%

EXPENSE RATIO	
Gross Ratio Class I:	1.14%
Gross Ratio Class A:	1.39%
Net Ratio Class I:	0.90%
Net Ratio Class A:	1.15%

The Fund's advisor has contractually agreed to waive its fees and / or pay for expenses of the Fund to the extent they exceed the above net ratios until February 28, 2024, and this agreement may be terminated by the Trust's Board of Trustees. The Advisor is permitted to seek reimbursement from the Fund, for three years from the date of any such waiver or payment to the extent a class's total annual fund operating expenses do not exceed the limits described above.

<sup>1</sup> The Fund has adopted the historical performance of the Advisory Research Strategic Income Fund (the "Predecessor Fund"), a former series of Investment Manager Series Trust, as a result of a reorganization consummated after the close of business on February 21, 2020 ("Reorganization") in which the Fund acquired all of the assets, subject to the liabilities, of the Predecessor Fund.<sup>2</sup> Morningstar places the Fund in this category. Source of Index returns is US Bancorp Fund Services LLC. The Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index, the Fund's benchmark, is a broad base, market capitalization-weighted bond market index representing intermediate term investment grade bonds traded in the United States. The Bloomberg US Intermediate Credit Index measures the performance of investment grade, US dollar-denominated, fixed-rate, taxable corporate and government-related debt with less than ten years to maturity.

Call 855-551-5521 or visit northsquareinvest.com for the most recent month-end performance results. Fund facts are as of 6/30/23 unless otherwise stated. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. The performance data quoted represents past performance, which is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost.

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## 20 2023 NORTH SQUARE **Strategic Income Fund**

# ASSET ALLOCATION<sup>1</sup> (%)

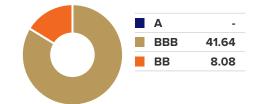
Bonds	45.02
ABS	4.16
CMBS	14.27
Corporate	10.35
Mortgage	11.1
Treasury and Agency	5.14
Non-Dollar	0
Preferreds	49.7
Corp Hybrids	16.14
Institutional Pref	17.01
AT1s	16.57
\$25	0
REIT	0
	3.13
Equity	
Equity Cash	1.97



#### PREFERRED QUALITY RATING (%)

В

0.35



#### Source: Bloomberg

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2 Quality ratings are based on Moody's, S&P, or Fitch, as applicable. Securities rated by all three services are assigned the median rating; if a bond is rated by only two agencies, it is assigned the lower rating; if it is only rated by one agency, that rating is assigned.

#### PORFOLIO MANAGEMENT

John L. Cassady III, CFA 35 years of investment experience

David L. Withrow, CFA 35 years of investment experience

Michael J. Martin, CFA 29 years of investment experience

Jason M. Schwartz, CFA 19 years of investment experience

Julia M. Batchenko, CFA 12 years of investment experience

#### Brandon F. Bajema, CFA, CPA

20 years of investment experience

30-DAY SEC YIELD	
Subsidized:	5.32%
Unsubsidized:	5.27%

# LARGEST NON-GOVERNMENT HOLDINGS1 (%)

Morgan Stanley 5.123 02/01/29	2.57%
Bank of New York Mellon 4.947 04/26/27	1.78%
Meta Platforms Inc 3.85 08/15/32	1.69%
Agilent Techonologies Inc 2.3 03/12/31	1.59%
Freddie Mac Multifamily Securities 2015-K50 B	1.29%
Hyundai Auto Receivables Trust 2022-C A3	1.23%
T-Mobile US 3.875 04/15/30	1.21%
Aegis Asset Backed Securities Trust 2005-2 M3	1.06%
Ford 3.81 01/09/24	1.04%
Aligned Data Centers Issuer LLC 2021-1A A2	0.95%

<sup>1</sup> Source: Bloomberg. The Portfolio is actively managed and current holdings and characteristics may be different. The holdings listed should not be considered recommendations to buy or sell any particular security listed. The holdings identified do not represent all of the securities purchased or sold. Actual portfolio investments may vary when actually invested. A complete list of holdings is available upon request.

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