

# Prospectus

**December 31, 2018**

*The information contained herein relates to all classes of the Fund's Shares, as listed below, unless otherwise noted.*

**Share Class** | Ticker

**A** | FGSAX

**C** | FGSCX

**Institutional** | FGSIX

**R6** | FGSKX

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## Federated MDT Mid Cap Growth Fund

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A Portfolio of Federated Equity Funds

A mutual fund seeking appreciation of capital by investing primarily in domestic, mid cap common stocks that offer superior growth prospects.

As with all mutual funds, the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has not approved or disapproved these securities or passed upon the adequacy of this Prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

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# IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING THE FEDERATED FUNDS

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## SUPPLEMENT TO CURRENT PROSPECTUSES

Please delete the current Appendix B in its entirety and replace with the following:

### **“Appendix B: Sales Charge Waivers and Exchange Features for Shareholders Purchasing Through Certain Financial Intermediaries**

**The term “fund family,” used herein, shall refer to the Federated mutual funds.**

#### **AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL**

#### **CLASS A SHARES FRONT-END SALES CHARGE WAIVERS AVAILABLE AT AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL:**

**The following information applies to Class A shares purchases if you have an account with or otherwise purchase Fund shares through Ameriprise Financial:**

Effective April 30, 2018, shareholders purchasing Fund shares through an Ameriprise Financial platform or account will be eligible for the following front-end sales charge waivers and discounts, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this Fund’s prospectus:

- Employer-sponsored retirement plans (e.g., 401(k) plans, 457 plans, employer-sponsored 403(b) plans, profit sharing and money purchase pension plans and defined benefit plans). For purposes of this provision, employer-sponsored retirement plans do not include SEP IRAs, Simple IRAs or SAR-SEPs.
- Shares purchased through an Ameriprise Financial investment advisory program (if an Advisory or similar share class for such investment advisory program is not available).
- Shares purchased by third party investment advisors on behalf of their advisory clients through Ameriprise Financial’s platform (if an Advisory or similar share class for such investment advisory program is not available).
- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same Fund (but not any other fund within the same fund family).
- Shares exchanged from Class C shares of the same fund in the month of or following the 10-year anniversary of the purchase date. To the extent that this prospectus elsewhere provides for a waiver with respect to such shares following a shorter holding period, that waiver will apply to exchanges following such shorter period. To the extent that this prospectus elsewhere provides for a waiver with respect to exchanges of Class C shares for load waived shares, that waiver will also apply to such exchanges.
- Employees and registered representatives of Ameriprise Financial or its affiliates and their immediate family members.
- Shares purchased by or through qualified accounts (including IRAs, Coverdell Education Savings Accounts, 401(k)s, 403(b) TSCAs subject to ERISA and defined benefit plans) that are held by a covered family member, defined as an Ameriprise financial advisor and/or the advisor’s spouse, advisor’s lineal ascendant (mother, father, grandmother, grandfather, great grandmother, great grandfather), advisor’s lineal descendant (son, step-son, daughter, step-daughter, grandson, granddaughter, great grandson, great granddaughter) or any spouse of a covered family member who is a lineal descendant.
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided: (1) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption; (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account; and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales load (i.e. Rights of Reinstatement).

## **EXCHANGE FEATURE OF CLASS C SHARES AVAILABLE AT AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL:**

**Automatic Exchange of Class C shares.** Class C shares will automatically exchange to Class A shares in the month of the 10-year anniversary of the purchase date.

## **MERRILL LYNCH**

Effective April 10, 2017, shareholders purchasing Fund shares through a Merrill Lynch platform or account will be eligible only for the following front-end sales charge waivers and shareholders redeeming Fund shares through a Merrill Lynch platform or account (regardless of purchase date) will be eligible only for the following contingent deferred, or back-end, sales charge (CDSC) waivers and discounts, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this Fund's prospectus.

### **Front-End Sales Load Waivers on Class A Shares Available at Merrill Lynch**

- Employer-sponsored retirement, deferred compensation and employee benefit plans (including health savings accounts) and trusts used to fund those plans, provided that the shares are not held in a commission-based brokerage account and shares are held for the benefit of the plan;
- Shares purchased by or through a 529 Plan;
- Shares purchased through a Merrill Lynch affiliated investment advisory program, or effective June 1, 2019, exchanges of shares in the same Fund purchased through such a Merrill Lynch program due to the holdings moving from such program to a Merrill Lynch brokerage (non-advisory) account;
- Shares purchased by third-party investment advisors on behalf of their advisory clients through Merrill Lynch's platform;
- Shares of funds purchased through the Merrill Edge Self-Directed platform;
- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same fund (but not any other fund within the fund family);
- Shares exchanged from Class C shares of the same fund in the month of or following the 10-year anniversary of the purchase date;
- Employees and registered representatives of Merrill Lynch or its affiliates and their family members;
- Directors or Trustees of the Fund, and employees of the Fund's investment adviser or any of its affiliates, as described in this prospectus;
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided: (1) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption; (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account; and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales load (known as Rights of Reinstatement).

**CDSC Waivers on A, B and C Shares Available at Merrill Lynch**

- Death or disability of the shareholder;
- Shares sold as part of a systematic withdrawal plan as described in the Fund's prospectus;
- Return of excess contributions from an IRA Account;
- Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and retirement accounts due to the shareholder reaching age 70½;
- Shares sold to pay Merrill Lynch fees but only if the transaction is initiated by Merrill Lynch;
- Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement;
- Shares held in retirement brokerage accounts, that are converted to a lower cost share class due to transfer to a fee based account or platform (applicable to A and C shares only). The CDSC applicable to the converted shares will be waived, and Merrill Lynch will remit to the Fund's Distributor a portion of the waived CDSC. Such portion shall be equal to the number of months remaining on the CDSC period divided by the total number of months of the CDSC period;
- Effective June 1, 2019, Class A Shares sold, where such Class A Shares were received as a result of exchanges of shares in the same Fund purchased through a Merrill Lynch affiliated investment advisory program due to the holdings moving from the program to a Merrill Lynch brokerage (non-advisory) account.

**Front-End Load Discounts Available at Merrill Lynch:****Breakpoints, Rights of Accumulation and Letters of Intent**

- Breakpoints as described in this prospectus;
- Rights of Accumulation (ROA) which entitle shareholders to breakpoint discounts will be automatically calculated based on the aggregated holding of fund family assets held by accounts within the purchaser's household at Merrill Lynch. Eligible fund family assets not held at Merrill Lynch may be included in the ROA calculation only if the shareholder notifies his or her financial advisor about such assets;
- Letters of Intent (LOI) which allow for breakpoint discounts based on anticipated purchases within a fund family, through Merrill Lynch, over a 13-month period of time.

## **MORGAN STANLEY SMITH BARNEY**

### **CLASS A SHARES FRONT-END SALES CHARGE WAIVERS AVAILABLE AT MORGAN STANLEY SMITH BARNEY:**

Effective July 1, 2018, shareholders purchasing Fund shares through a Morgan Stanley Wealth Management transactional brokerage account will be eligible only for the following front-end sales charge waivers with respect to Class A shares, which may differ from and may be more limited than those disclosed elsewhere in this Fund's Prospectus or SAI.

#### **Front-End Sales Charge Waivers on Class A Shares Available at Morgan Stanley Wealth Management**

- Employer-sponsored retirement plans (e.g., 401(k) plans, 457 plans, employer-sponsored 403(b) plans, profit sharing and money purchase pension plans and defined benefit plans). For purposes of this provision, employer-sponsored retirement plans do not include SEP IRAs, Simple IRAs, SAR-SEPs or Keogh plans;
- Morgan Stanley employee and employee-related accounts according to Morgan Stanley's account linking rules;
- Shares purchased through reinvestment of dividends and capital gains distributions when purchasing shares of the same fund;
- Shares purchased through a Morgan Stanley self-directed brokerage account;
- Class C (i.e., level-load) shares that are no longer subject to a contingent deferred sales charge and are exchanged to Class A shares of the same fund pursuant to Morgan Stanley Wealth Management's intra-fund share class exchange program;
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided: (i) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption; (ii) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account; and (iii) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales charge.

**RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOCIATES, INC., RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES & RAYMOND JAMES AFFILIATES  
("RAYMOND JAMES")**

Effective March 1, 2019, shareholders purchasing and redeeming Fund shares through a Raymond James platform or account will be eligible only for the following load waivers (front-end sales charge waivers and contingent deferred, or back-end, sales charge waivers) and discounts, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this Fund's prospectus or SAI.

**Front-End Sales Load Waivers on Class A Shares Available at Raymond James**

- Shares purchased through a Raymond James investment advisory program;
- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same Fund (but not any other fund within the fund family);
- Employees and registered representatives of Raymond James or its affiliates and their family members as designated by Raymond James;
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided: (1) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption; (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account; and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales load (known as Rights of Reinstatement);
- A shareholder in the Fund's Class C shares will have their shares automatically exchanged at net asset value to Class A shares (or the appropriate share class) of the Fund if the shares are no longer subject to a CDSC and the automatic exchange is in line with the policies and procedures of Raymond James.

**CDSC Waivers on A, B and C Shares Available at Raymond James**

- Death or disability of the shareholder;
- Shares sold as part of a systematic withdrawal plan as described in the fund's prospectus;
- Return of excess contributions from an IRA Account;
- Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and retirement accounts due to the shareholder reaching age 70 1/2 as described in the fund's prospectus;
- Shares sold to pay Raymond James fees but only if the transaction is initiated by Raymond James;
- Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement.

**Front-End Load Discounts Available at Raymond James: Breakpoints, and/or Rights of Accumulation**

- Breakpoints as described in this prospectus;
- Rights of accumulation which entitle shareholders to breakpoint discounts will be automatically calculated based on the aggregated holding of fund family assets held by accounts within the purchaser's household at Raymond James. Eligible fund family assets not held at Raymond James may be included in the rights of accumulation calculation only if the shareholder notifies his or her financial advisor about such assets."

**The Federated Funds include all of the following registrants (including any of their share classes):**

FEDERATED ADVISER SERIES

Federated MDT Large Cap Value

FEDERATED EQUITY FUNDS

Federated Absolute Return Fund  
Federated Clover Small Value Fund  
Federated Global Strategic Value Dividend Fund  
Federated International Strategic Value Dividend Fund  
Federated Kaufmann Fund  
Federated Kaufmann Large Cap Fund  
Federated Kaufmann Small Cap Fund  
Federated MDT Mid Cap Growth Fund  
Federated Prudent Bear Fund  
Federated Strategic Value Dividend Fund

FEDERATED EQUITY INCOME FUND, INC.

FEDERATED FIXED INCOME SECURITIES, INC.

Federated Strategic Income Fund

FEDERATED GLOBAL ALLOCATION FUND

FEDERATED GOVERNMENT INCOME SECURITIES, INC.

FEDERATED HIGH YIELD TRUST

Federated Equity Advantage Fund  
Federated High Yield Trust

FEDERATED INCOME SECURITIES TRUST

Federated Capital Income Fund  
Federated Muni and Stock Advantage Fund  
Federated Real Return Bond Fund  
Federated Short-Term Income Fund

FEDERATED INDEX TRUST

Federated Max-Cap Index Fund

FEDERATED INSITUTIONAL TRUST

Federated Government Ultrashort Duration Fund  
Federated Short-Intermediate Total Return Bond Fund

FEDERATED INTERNATIONAL SERIES, INC.

Federated Global Total Return Bond Fund

FEDERATED INVESTMENT SERIES FUNDS, INC.

Federated Bond Fund

FEDERATED MDT SERIES

Federated MDT All Cap Core Fund  
Federated MDT Balanced Fund  
Federated MDT Large Cap Growth Fund  
Federated MDT Small Cap Core Fund  
Federated MDT Small Cap Growth Fund

FEDERATED MUNICIPAL SECURITIES INCOME TRUST

Federated Michigan Intermediate Municipal Trust  
Federated Municipal High Yield Advantage Fund  
Federated Ohio Municipal Income Fund  
Federated Pennsylvania Municipal Income Fund

FEDERATED SHORT-INTERMEDIATE DURATION MUNICIPAL TRUST

FEDERATED TOTAL RETURN SERIES, INC.

Federated Total Return Bond Fund

FEDERATED WORLD INVESTMENT SERIES, INC.

Federated Emerging Market Debt Fund  
Federated International Leaders Fund  
Federated International Small-Mid Company Fund

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## Fund Summary Information

### Federated MDT Mid Cap Growth Fund (the “Fund”)

#### RISK/RETURN SUMMARY: INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The Fund’s investment objective is appreciation of capital.

#### RISK/RETURN SUMMARY: FEES AND EXPENSES

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold the Fund’s Class A Shares (A), Class C Shares (C), Institutional Shares (IS) and Class R6 Shares (R6). You may qualify for sales charge discounts if you and your family invest, or agree to invest in the future, at least \$50,000 in certain classes (e.g., A class) of Federated funds. More information about these and other discounts is available from your financial professional, in the “What Do Shares Cost?” section of the Prospectus on page 8 and in “Appendix B” to this Prospectus. If you purchase the Fund’s IS and R6 shares through a broker acting as an agent on behalf of its customers, you may be required to pay a commission to such broker; such commissions, if any, are not reflected in the Example below.

<b>Shareholder Fees (fees paid directly from your investment)</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>IS</b>	<b>R6</b>
Maximum Sales Charge (Load) Imposed on Purchases (as a percentage of offering price) .....	5.50%	None	None	None
Maximum Deferred Sales Charge (Load) (as a percentage of original purchase price or redemption proceeds, as applicable) .....	0.00%	1.00%	None	None
Maximum Sales Charge (Load) Imposed on Reinvested Dividends (and other Distributions) (as a percentage of offering price) ...	None	None	None	None
Redemption Fee (as a percentage of amount redeemed, if applicable) .....	None	None	None	None
Exchange Fee .....	None	None	None	None
<b>Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)</b>				
Management Fee .....	0.75%	0.75%	0.75%	0.75%
Distribution (12b-1) Fee .....	None	0.75%	None	None
Other Expenses .....	0.54%	0.55%	0.27%	0.22%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses .....	1.29%	2.05%	1.02%	0.97%
Fee Waivers and/or Expense Reimbursements <sup>1</sup> .....	(0.14)%	(0.16)%	(0.17)%	(0.13)%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses After Fee Waivers and/or Expense Reimbursements .....	1.15%	1.89%	0.85%	0.84%

<sup>1</sup> The Adviser and certain of its affiliates on their own initiative have agreed to waive certain amounts of their respective fees and/or reimburse expenses. The total annual fund operating expenses (excluding acquired fund fees and expenses, interest expense, extraordinary expenses and proxy-related expenses paid by the Fund, if any) paid by the Fund’s A, C, IS and R6 classes (after the voluntary waivers and/or reimbursements) will not exceed 1.14%, 1.88%, 0.84% and 0.83% (the “Fee Limit”), respectively, up to but not including the later of (the “Termination Date”): (a) January 1, 2020; or (b) the date of the Fund’s next effective Prospectus. While the Adviser and its affiliates currently do not anticipate terminating or increasing these arrangements prior to the Termination Date, these arrangements may only be terminated or the Fee Limit increased prior to the Termination Date with the agreement of the Fund’s Board of Trustees.

#### EXAMPLE

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds.

The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 for the time periods indicated and then redeem all of your Shares at the end of those periods. Expenses assuming no redemption are also shown. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that operating expenses are as shown in the table above and remain the same. Although your actual costs and returns may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

<b>Share Class</b>	<b>1 Year</b>	<b>3 Years</b>	<b>5 Years</b>	<b>10 Years</b>
<b>A:</b>				
Expenses assuming redemption	\$674	\$936	\$1,219	\$2,021
Expenses assuming no redemption	\$674	\$936	\$1,219	\$2,021
<b>C:</b>				
Expenses assuming redemption	\$308	\$643	\$1,103	\$2,379
Expenses assuming no redemption	\$208	\$643	\$1,103	\$2,379
<b>IS:</b>				
Expenses assuming redemption	\$104	\$325	\$563	\$1,248
Expenses assuming no redemption	\$104	\$325	\$563	\$1,248
<b>R6:</b>				
Expenses assuming redemption	\$99	\$309	\$536	\$1,190
Expenses assuming no redemption	\$99	\$309	\$536	\$1,190

### **Portfolio Turnover**

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 171% of the average value of its portfolio.

### **RISK/RETURN SUMMARY: INVESTMENTS, RISKS AND PERFORMANCE**

#### **What are the Fund’s Main Investment Strategies?**

The Fund pursues its investment objective by investing primarily in domestic, mid cap common stocks that offer superior growth prospects. The Fund’s investment adviser (“Adviser”) utilizes a mid-cap growth approach by selecting most investments from companies listed in the Russell Midcap Growth Index, an index that measures the performance of those companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values within the mid cap segment of the U.S. equity universe. The Fund considers mid cap companies to be those of a size similar to companies listed in the Russell Midcap Growth Index. As of October 31, 2018, the market capitalization of companies in the Russell Midcap Growth Index ranged from \$1.6 billion to \$37.5 billion.

The Adviser implements its strategy using a quantitative model driven by fundamental and technical stock selection variables, including relative value, profit trends, capital structure and price history. This process seeks to impose strict discipline over stock selection, unimpeded by market or manager psychology. It seeks to maximize compound annual return while controlling risk. The process also takes into account trading costs in an effort to ensure that trades are generated only to the extent they are expected to be profitable on an after-trading-cost basis. Additionally, risk is controlled through diversification constraints which limit exposure to individual companies as well as to groups of correlated companies.

The Fund will invest its assets so that at least 80% of its net assets (plus any borrowing for investment purposes) are invested in mid cap investments. The Fund will notify shareholders at least 60 days in advance of any change in its investment policy that would permit the Fund to invest, under normal circumstances, less than 80% of its net assets (plus any borrowings for investment purposes) in investments in mid cap companies.

### **What are the Main Risks of Investing in the Fund?**

All mutual funds take investment risks. Therefore, it is possible to lose money by investing in the Fund. The primary factors that may reduce the Fund's returns include:

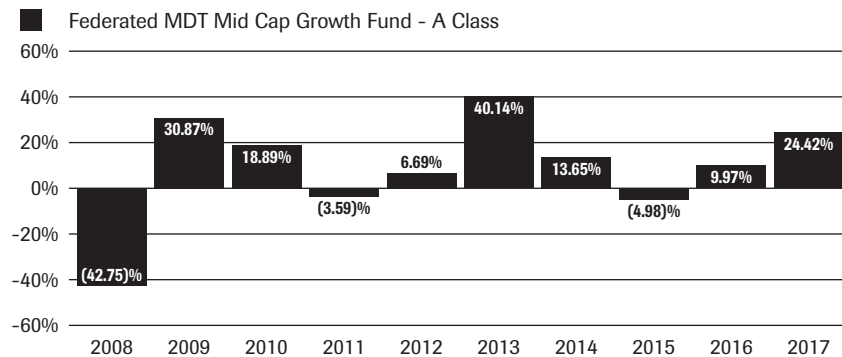
- **Stock Market Risk.** The value of equity securities in the Fund's portfolio will fluctuate and, as a result, the Fund's Share price may decline suddenly or over a sustained period of time. Information publicly available about a company, whether from the company's financial statements or other disclosures or from third parties, or information available to some but not all market participants, can affect the price of a company's shares in the market. Among other factors, equity securities may decline in value because of an increase in interest rates or changes in the stock market. Recent and potential future changes in industry and/or economic trends, as well as changes in monetary policy made by central banks and/or their governments, also can affect the level of interest rates and contribute to the development of or increase in volatility, illiquidity, shareholder redemptions and other adverse effects (such as a decline in a company's stock price), which could negatively impact the Fund's performance.
- **Risk Related to the Economy.** The value of the Fund's portfolio may decline in tandem with a drop in the overall value of the markets in which the Fund invests and/or other markets. Economic, political and financial conditions, or industry or economic trends and developments, may from time to time, and for varying periods of time, cause the Fund to experience volatility, illiquidity, shareholder redemptions and/or other potentially adverse effects.
- **Risk Related to Investing for Growth.** Due to their relatively high valuations, growth stocks are typically more volatile than value stocks. Additionally, growth stocks may not pay dividends or may pay lower dividends than value stocks.
- **Mid Cap Company Risk.** The Fund may invest in mid-capitalization (or "mid cap") companies. Mid cap companies often have narrower markets, limited managerial and financial resources, more volatile performance and greater risk of failure, compared to larger, more established companies. These factors could increase the volatility of the Fund's portfolio, performance and Share price.
- **Sector Risk.** Because the Fund may allocate relatively more assets to certain industry sectors than others, the Fund's performance may be more susceptible to any developments which affect those sectors emphasized by the Fund.
- **Quantitative Modeling Risk.** The Fund employs quantitative models as a management technique. These models examine multiple economic factors using various proprietary and third-party data. The results generated by quantitative analysis may perform differently than expected and may negatively affect Fund performance for various reasons (for example, human judgment, data imprecision, software or other technology malfunctions, or programming inaccuracies).

The Shares offered by this Prospectus are not deposits or obligations of any bank, are not endorsed or guaranteed by any bank and are not insured or guaranteed by the U.S. government, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Federal Reserve Board or any other government agency.

## PERFORMANCE: BAR CHART AND TABLE

### Risk/Return Bar Chart

The bar chart and performance table below reflect historical performance data for the Fund and are intended to help you analyze the Fund's investment risks in light of its historical returns. The bar chart shows the variability of the Fund's A class total returns on a calendar year-by-year basis. The Average Annual Total Return table shows returns for each class *averaged* over the stated periods, and includes comparative performance information. *The Fund's performance will fluctuate, and past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of future results.* Updated performance information for the Fund is available under the "Products" section at [FederatedInvestors.com](http://FederatedInvestors.com) or by calling 1-800-341-7400.



*The total returns shown in the bar chart do not reflect the payment of any sales charges or recurring shareholder account fees. If these charges or fees had been included, the returns shown would have been lower.*

*The Fund's A class total return for the nine-month period from January 1, 2018 to September 30, 2018, was 18.37%.*

*Within the periods shown in the bar chart, the Fund's A class highest quarterly return was 16.60% (quarter ended June 30, 2009). Its lowest quarterly return was (25.15)% (quarter ended December 31, 2008).*

### Average Annual Total Return Table

Prior to September 1, 2016, the Fund's R6 class shares were known as R class shares. As of September 1, 2016, the R6 class does not include 12b-1 fees and certain other expenses applicable to the R class shares, and the performance shown below for the R6 class prior to September 1, 2016, reflects the higher R class expenses. The Fund's IS class commenced operations on January 29, 2010. For the period prior to the commencement of operations of the IS class, the performance information shown is for the Fund's A class. The performance of the A class has not been adjusted to reflect the expenses of the IS class since the IS class has a lower expense ratio than the expense ratio of the A class. The performance of the A class has been adjusted to remove any voluntary waiver of Fund expenses that may have occurred during the period prior to the commencement of operations of the IS class and has been adjusted to reflect the absence of sales charges applicable to A class.

In addition to Return Before Taxes, Return After Taxes is shown for the Fund's A class to illustrate the effect of federal taxes on Fund returns. After-tax returns are shown only for A class and after-tax returns for C class, IS class and R6 class will differ from those shown for A class. *Actual after-tax returns depend on each investor's personal tax situation, and are likely to differ from those shown.* After-tax returns are calculated using a standard set of assumptions. The stated returns assume the highest historical **federal** income and capital gains tax rates. These after-tax returns do **not** reflect the effect of any applicable **state** and **local** taxes. After-tax returns are not relevant to investors holding Shares through a 401(k) plan, an Individual Retirement Account or other tax-advantaged investment plans.

(For the Period Ended December 31, 2017)

	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
<b>A:</b>			
Return Before Taxes	17.59%	14.37%	6.01%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	12.30%	10.51%	4.20%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	10.91%	10.35%	4.27%
<b>C:</b>			
Return Before Taxes	22.52%	14.81%	5.82%
<b>IS:</b>			
Return Before Taxes	24.74%	15.96%	6.79%
<b>R6:</b>			
Return Before Taxes	24.72%	15.34%	6.20%
<b>Russell Midcap<sup>®</sup> Growth Index<sup>1</sup></b> (reflects no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	25.27%	15.30%	9.10%
<b>Morningstar Mid-Cap Growth Funds Average<sup>2</sup></b>	23.91%	13.73%	7.67%

1 The Russell Midcap<sup>®</sup> Growth Index measures the performance of the mid cap growth segment of the U.S. equity universe.

2 Effective November 30, 2016, the Fund's peer group average was changed to Morningstar Mid-Cap Blend Funds Average. Morningstar figures represent the average of the total returns reported by all the mutual funds designated by Morningstar as falling into the respective category indicated. They do not reflect sales charges.

## FUND MANAGEMENT

The Fund's Investment Adviser is Federated MDTA LLC.

Daniel J. Mahr, Managing Director of Research, has been the Fund's portfolio manager since January 2013.

Frederick L. Konopka, Portfolio and Trading Manager, has been the Fund's portfolio manager since January 2013.

John Paul Lewicke, Research Manager, has been the Fund's portfolio manager since September 2014.

Damien Zhang, CFA, Research Manager, has been the Fund's portfolio manager since August 2018.

## PURCHASE AND SALE OF FUND SHARES

You may purchase, redeem or exchange Shares of the Fund on any day the New York Stock Exchange is open. Shares may be purchased through a financial intermediary firm that has entered into a Fund selling and/or servicing agreement with the Distributor or an affiliate ("Financial Intermediary") or directly from the Fund, by wire or by check. Please note that certain purchase restrictions may apply. Redeem or exchange Shares through a financial intermediary or directly from the Fund by telephone at 1-800-341-7400 or by mail.

## A & C Classes

The minimum investment amount for the Fund's A and C classes is generally \$1,500 for initial investments and \$100 for subsequent investments. The minimum initial and subsequent investment amounts for Individual Retirement Accounts are generally \$250 and \$100, respectively. There is no minimum initial or subsequent investment amount for employer-sponsored retirement plans. Certain types of accounts are eligible for lower minimum investments. The minimum investment for Systematic Investment Programs is \$50.

## IS Class

The minimum initial investment amount for the Fund's IS class is generally \$1,000,000 and there is no minimum subsequent investment amount. Certain types of accounts are eligible for lower minimum investments. The minimum investment amount for Systematic Investment Programs is \$50.

## R6 Class

There are no minimum initial or subsequent investment amounts required. The minimum investment amount for Systematic Investment Programs is \$50.

## TAX INFORMATION

### A, C & IS Classes

The Fund's distributions are taxable as ordinary income or capital gains except when your investment is through a 401(k) plan, an Individual Retirement Account or other tax-advantaged investment plan.

### R6 Class

The Fund's distributions are taxable as ordinary income or capital gains except when your investment is through a tax-advantaged investment plan.

## **PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

### **A, C & IS Classes**

If you purchase the Fund through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Fund and/or its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of Fund Shares and related services. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

## **PAYMENTS TO BROKER-DEALERS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

### **R6 Class**

Class R6 Shares do not make any payments to financial intermediaries, either from Fund assets or from the investment adviser and its affiliates.

## **What are the Fund's Investment Strategies?**

The Fund's investment objective is appreciation of capital. While there is no assurance that the Fund will achieve its investment objective, it endeavors to do so by following the strategies and policies described in this Prospectus. The Fund's Statement of Additional Information (SAI) provides information about the Fund's non-principal strategies.

The Fund pursues its investment objective by investing primarily in domestic, mid cap common stocks that offer superior growth prospects. Individual stocks are selected for inclusion in the Fund based upon a proprietary quantitative model that is designed to facilitate an objective, disciplined analysis of every stock in the Fund's investment universe. The strategy seeks to maximize compound annual return while controlling risk.

The quantitative model constructs the portfolio by considering fundamental and technical measures, analyzing expected trading costs and employing risk controls to promote diversification. Fundamental and technical measures used include relative value, profit trends, capital structure and price history. Risk is controlled through diversification constraints which limit exposure to individual companies as well as to groups of correlated companies. The process also estimates trading costs in an effort to ensure that trades are generated only to the extent they are expected to be profitable on an after-trading-cost basis. The Adviser reviews the proposed trades produced by the process in an effort to ensure that they are based on accurate and current information. If a proposed trade is deemed to be based on inaccurate or stale information, the trade decision is deferred until the model incorporates timely and accurate information.

The Adviser may sell securities from the Fund's portfolio for reasons including, but not limited to: (i) identification of deteriorating stock selection factors; (ii) identification of replacement securities with higher perceived value; and (iii) compliance with the Fund's investment objectives, strategy, limitations and other parameters.

The Adviser selects most investments from companies listed in the Russell Midcap Growth Index, an index that measures the performance of those companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values within the mid cap segment of the U.S. equity universe. Because the Fund invests in companies that are defined largely by reference to the Russell Midcap Growth Index, the market capitalization of companies in which the Fund may invest will vary with market conditions. The Russell Midcap Growth Index is reconstituted on an annual basis. As of October 31, 2018, the market capitalization of companies in the Russell Midcap Growth Index ranged from \$1.6 billion to \$37.5 billion.

The Fund will invest its assets so that at least 80% of its net assets (plus any borrowing for investment purposes) are invested in mid cap investments. The Fund will notify shareholders at least 60 days in advance of any change in its investment policy that would permit the Fund to invest, under normal circumstances, less than 80% of its net assets (plus any borrowings for investment purposes) in investments in mid cap companies. For purposes of this limitation, mid cap companies will be defined as companies with market capitalizations similar to companies in the Russell Midcap Growth Index. The definition will be applied at the time of investment, and the Fund will not be required to sell an investment because a company's market capitalization has grown or reduced outside the market capitalization range of mid cap companies.

## **PORTFOLIO TURNOVER**

The Fund actively trades its portfolio securities in an attempt to achieve its investment objective. Active trading will cause the Fund to have an increased portfolio turnover rate and increase the Fund's trading costs, which may have an adverse impact on the Fund's performance. An active trading strategy will likely result in the Fund generating more short-term capital gains or losses. Short-term gains are generally taxed at a higher rate than long-term gains. Any short-term losses are used first to offset short-term gains.



## **TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS**

The Fund may temporarily depart from its principal investment strategies by investing its assets in shorter-term debt securities and similar obligations or holding cash. It may do this in response to unusual circumstances, such as: adverse market, economic or other conditions (for example, to help avoid potential losses or during periods when there is a shortage of appropriate securities); to maintain liquidity to meet shareholder redemptions; or to accommodate cash inflows. It is possible that such investments could affect the Fund's investment returns and/or the ability to achieve the Fund's investment objectives.

## **What are the Fund's Principal Investments?**

The following provides general information on the Fund's principal investments. The Fund's Statement of Additional Information (SAI) provides information about the Fund's non-principal investments and may provide additional information about the Fund's principal investments.

## **EQUITY SECURITIES**

Equity securities represent a share of an issuer's earnings and assets, after the issuer pays its liabilities. The Fund cannot predict the income it will receive from equity securities because issuers generally have discretion as to the payment of any dividends or distributions. However, equity securities offer greater potential for appreciation than many other types of securities, because their value is expected to increase directly with the value of the issuer's business. The following describes the equity securities in which the Fund principally invests.

### **Common Stocks**

Common stocks are the most prevalent type of equity security. Common stocks receive the issuer's earnings after the issuer pays its creditors and any preferred stockholders. As a result, changes in an issuer's earnings directly influence the value of its common stock.

## **What are the Specific Risks of Investing in the Fund?**

The following provides general information on the risks associated with the Fund's principal investments. Any additional risks associated with the Fund's non-principal investments are described in the Fund's SAI. The Fund's SAI also may provide additional information about the risks associated with the Fund's principal investments.

## **STOCK MARKET RISK**

The value of equity securities in the Fund's portfolio will rise and fall over time. These fluctuations could be a sustained trend or a drastic movement. Historically, the equity market has moved in cycles, and the value of the Fund's securities may fluctuate from day to day. The Fund's portfolio will reflect changes in prices of individual portfolio stocks or general changes in stock valuations. Consequently, the Fund's Share price may decline. The Adviser attempts to manage market risk by limiting the amount the Fund invests in each company's equity securities. However, diversification will not protect the Fund against widespread or prolonged declines in the stock market.

Information publicly available about a company, whether from the company's financial statements or other disclosures or from third parties, or information available to some but not all market participants, can affect the price of a company's shares in the market. The price of a company's shares depends significantly on the information publicly available about the company. The reporting of poor results by a company, the restatement of a company's financial statements or corrections to other information regarding a company or its business may adversely affect the price of its shares, as would allegations of fraud or other misconduct by the company's management. The Fund may also be disadvantaged if some market participants have access to material information not readily available to other market participants, including the Fund.

## **RISK RELATED TO THE ECONOMY**

The value of the Fund's portfolio may decline in tandem with a drop in the overall value of the markets in which the Fund invests and/or other markets based on negative developments in the U.S. and global economies. Economic, political and financial conditions, or industry or economic trends and developments, may, from time to time, and for varying periods of time, cause volatility, illiquidity and/or other potentially adverse effects in the financial markets. The commencement, continuation or ending of government policies and economic stimulus programs, changes in monetary policy, increases or decreases in interest rates, or other factors or events that affect the financial markets, may contribute to the development of or increase in volatility, illiquidity, shareholder redemptions and other adverse effects (such as a decline in a company's stock price), which could negatively impact the Fund's performance. For example, the value of equity securities may rise and fall in response to changes in interest rates. Market factors, such as the demand for particular equity securities, may cause the price of certain equity securities to fall while the prices of other securities rise or remain unchanged.

## **RISK RELATED TO INVESTING FOR GROWTH**

Due to their relatively high valuations, growth stocks are typically more volatile than value stocks. For instance, the price of a growth stock may experience a larger decline on a forecast of lower earnings, a negative fundamental development or an adverse market development. Further, growth stocks may not pay dividends or may pay lower dividends than value stocks. This means they depend more on price changes for returns and may be more adversely affected in a down market compared to value stocks that pay higher dividends.

## **MID CAP COMPANY RISK**

The Fund may invest in mid-capitalization (or “mid cap”) companies. Market capitalization is determined by multiplying the number of a company’s outstanding shares by the current market price per share. Mid cap companies often have narrower markets and limited managerial and financial resources compared to larger, more established companies. The performance of mid cap companies can be more volatile and they face greater risk of business failure, compared to larger, more established companies, which could increase the volatility of the Fund’s portfolio and performance. Shareholders should expect that the value of the Fund’s Shares will be more volatile than a fund that invests exclusively in large cap companies.

## **SECTOR RISK**

Companies with similar characteristics may be grouped together in broad categories called sectors. Sector risk is the possibility that a certain sector may underperform other sectors or the market as a whole. To the extent the Fund invests in a particular sector or sectors, its performance will be more susceptible to economic, business or other developments and risks affecting that sector. Such factors may vary depending upon the sector and economic conditions at the time, but may include, for example, the availability and cost of capital funds, changes in interest rates, currency fluctuations, credit conditions or government regulation.

## **QUANTITATIVE MODELING RISK**

The Fund employs quantitative models as a management technique. These models examine multiple economic and market factors using large data sets. The results generated by quantitative analysis may be different than expected and may negatively affect Fund performance for a variety of reasons. For example, human judgment plays a role in building, utilizing, testing and modifying the financial algorithms and formulas used in these models. Additionally, the data, which is typically supplied by third parties, can be imprecise or become stale due to new events or changing circumstances. Market performance can be affected by non-quantitative factors (for example, investor fear or over-reaction or other emotional considerations) that are not easily integrated into quantitative analysis. There may also be technical issues with the construction and implementation of quantitative models (for example, software or other technology malfunctions, or programming inaccuracies).

## **What Do Shares Cost?**

### **CALCULATION OF NET ASSET VALUE**

When the Fund receives your transaction request in proper form (as described in this Prospectus under the sections entitled “How to Purchase Shares” and “How to Redeem and Exchange Shares”), it is processed at the next calculated net asset value of a Share (NAV) plus any applicable front-end sales charge (“public offering price”). A Share’s NAV is determined as of the end of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) (normally 4:00 p.m. Eastern time), each day the NYSE is open. The Fund calculates the NAV of each class by valuing the assets allocated to the Share’s class, subtracting the liabilities allocated to each class and dividing the balance by the number of Shares of the class outstanding. The NAV for each class of Shares may differ due to the level of expenses allocated to each class as well as a result of the variance between the amount of accrued investment income and capital gains or losses allocated to each class and the amount actually distributed to shareholders of each class. The Fund’s current NAV and/or public offering price may be found at [FederatedInvestors.com](http://FederatedInvestors.com), via online news sources and in certain newspapers.

You can purchase, redeem or exchange Shares any day the NYSE is open.

When the Fund holds securities that trade principally in foreign markets on days the NYSE is closed, the value of the Fund’s assets may change on days you cannot purchase or redeem Shares. This may also occur when the U.S. markets for fixed-income securities are open on a day the NYSE is closed.

In calculating its NAV, the Fund generally values investments as follows:

- Equity securities listed on an exchange or traded through a regulated market system are valued at their last reported sale price or official closing price in their principal exchange or market.

If any price, quotation, price evaluation or other pricing source is not readily available when the NAV is calculated, if the Fund cannot obtain price evaluations from a pricing service or from more than one dealer for an investment within a reasonable period of time as set forth in the Fund's valuation policies and procedures, or if information furnished by a pricing service, in the opinion of the Valuation Committee, is deemed not representative of the fair value of such security, the Fund uses the fair value of the investment determined in accordance with the procedures generally described below. There can be no assurance that the Fund could obtain the fair value assigned to an investment if it sold the investment at approximately the time at which the Fund determines its NAV per share.

Shares of other mutual funds are valued based upon their reported NAVs. The prospectuses for these mutual funds explain the circumstances under which they will use fair value pricing and the effects of using fair value pricing.

#### **FAIR VALUATION AND SIGNIFICANT EVENTS PROCEDURES**

The Board has ultimate responsibility for determining the fair value of investments for which market quotations are not readily available. The Board has appointed a Valuation Committee comprised of officers of the Fund, the Adviser and certain of the Adviser's affiliated companies to assist in determining fair value and in overseeing the calculation of the NAV. The Board has also authorized the use of pricing services recommended by the Valuation Committee to provide fair value evaluations of the current value of certain investments for purposes of calculating the NAV. In the event that market quotations and price evaluations are not available for an investment, the Valuation Committee determines the fair value of the investment in accordance with procedures adopted by the Board. The Board periodically reviews and approves the fair valuations made by the Valuation Committee and any changes made to the procedures. The Fund's SAI discusses the methods used by pricing services and the Valuation Committee to assist the Board in valuing investments.

Using fair value to price investments may result in a value that is different from an investment's most recent closing price and from the prices used by other mutual funds to calculate their NAVs. The application of the fair value procedures to an investment represent a good faith determination of such investment's fair value. There can be no assurance that the Fund could obtain the fair value assigned to an investment if it sold the investment at approximately the time at which the Fund determines its NAV per share.

The Board also has adopted procedures requiring an investment to be priced at its fair value whenever the Adviser determines that a significant event affecting the value of the investment has occurred between the time as of which the price of the investment would otherwise be determined and the time as of which the NAV is computed. An event is considered significant if there is both an affirmative expectation that the investment's value will change in response to the event and a reasonable basis for quantifying the resulting change in value.

Examples of significant events that may occur after the close of the principal market on which a security is traded, or after the time of a price evaluation provided by a pricing service or a dealer, include:

- With respect to securities traded principally in foreign markets, significant trends in U.S. equity markets or in the trading of foreign securities index futures contracts;
- Political or other developments affecting the economy or markets in which an issuer conducts its operations or its securities are traded; and
- Announcements concerning matters such as acquisitions, recapitalizations or litigation developments or a natural disaster affecting the issuer's operations or regulatory changes or market developments affecting the issuer's industry.

The Board has adopted procedures whereby the Valuation Committee uses a pricing service to determine the fair value of equity securities traded principally in foreign markets when the Adviser determines that there has been a significant trend in the U.S. equity markets or in index futures trading. For other significant events, the Fund may seek to obtain more current quotations or price evaluations from alternative pricing sources. If a reliable alternative pricing source is not available, the Valuation Committee will determine the fair value of the investment using another method approved by the Board. The Board has ultimate responsibility for any fair valuations made in response to a significant event.

The fair valuation of securities following a significant event can serve to reduce arbitrage opportunities for short-term traders to profit at the expense of long-term investors in the Fund. For example, such arbitrage opportunities may exist when the market on which portfolio securities are traded closes before the Fund calculates its NAV, which is typically the case with Asian and European markets. However, there is no assurance that these significant event procedures will prevent dilution of the NAV by short-term traders. See "Account and Share Information – Frequent Trading Policies" for other procedures the Fund employs to deter such short-term trading.

## SALES CHARGE INFORMATION

The following table summarizes the minimum investment amount and the maximum sales charge, if any, that you will pay on an investment in the Fund. Keep in mind that financial intermediaries may charge you fees for their services in connection with your Share transactions.

Shares Offered	Minimum Initial/Subsequent Investment Amounts <sup>1</sup>	Maximum Sales Charges	
		Front-End Sales Charge <sup>2</sup>	Contingent Deferred Sales Charge <sup>3</sup>
A	\$1,500/\$100	5.50%	0.00%
C	\$1,500/\$100	None	1.00%

1 The minimum initial and subsequent investment amounts for Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) are generally \$250 and \$100, respectively. There is no minimum initial or subsequent investment amount required for employer-sponsored retirement plans; however, such accounts remain subject to the Fund's policy on "Accounts with Low Balances" as discussed later in this Prospectus. Please see "By Systematic Investment Program" for applicable minimum investment. Financial intermediaries may impose higher or lower minimum investment requirements on their customers than those imposed by the Fund.

To maximize your return and minimize the sales charges and marketing fees, purchases of C class are generally limited to \$1,000,000. Purchases equal to or in excess of this limit may be made in A class. If your Shares are held on the books of the Fund in the name of a financial intermediary, you may be subject to rules of your financial intermediary that differ from those of the Fund. See "Purchase Restrictions on C Class" below.

After C Shares have been held for ten years from the date of purchase, they will automatically convert to A Shares on the next monthly conversion processing date, provided that certain conditions are satisfied. See "How is the Fund Sold?" This conversion is a non-taxable event.

2 Front-End Sales Charge is expressed as a percentage of public offering price. See "Sales Charge When You Purchase."

3 See "Sales Charge When You Redeem."

As shown in the table above, each class of Shares has a different sales charge structure. In addition, the ongoing annual operating expenses ("expense ratios"), as well as the compensation payable to financial intermediaries, also vary among the classes. Before you decide which class to purchase, you should review the different charges and expenses of each class carefully, in light of your personal circumstances, and consult with your financial intermediary.

Among the important factors to consider are the amount you plan to invest and the length of time you expect to hold your investment (for example, whether the investment is in connection with a long-term retirement program). You should also consider, for example, that it may be possible to reduce, or eliminate, the front-end sales charges imposed on purchases of A class. Among other ways, A class has a series of "breakpoints," which means that the front-end sales charges decrease (and can be eliminated entirely) as the amount invested increases. (The breakpoint schedule is set out below, along with detailed information on ways to reduce, or eliminate, front-end sales charges.) On the other hand, the C class does not have front-end sales charges, but does impose a contingent deferred sales charge only if redeemed within one year after purchase.

You should also consider that the expense ratio for A class will be lower than that for C class. Thus, the fact that no front-end charges are ever imposed on purchases of the C class does not always make them preferable to A class.

## SALES CHARGE WHEN YOU PURCHASE

The following table lists the sales charges which will be applied to your Share purchase, subject to the breakpoint discounts indicated in the table and described below.

Purchase Amount	Sales Charge as a Percentage of Public Offering Price	Sales Charge as a Percentage of NAV
Less than \$50,000	5.50%	5.82%
\$50,000 but less than \$100,000	4.50%	4.71%
\$100,000 but less than \$250,000	3.75%	3.90%
\$250,000 but less than \$500,000	2.50%	2.56%
\$500,000 but less than \$1 million	2.00%	2.04%
\$1 million or greater <sup>1</sup>	0.00%	0.00%

1 A contingent deferred sales charge (CDSC) of 0.75% of the redemption amount applies to Shares originally purchased in an amount of \$1 million or more and redeemed up to 24 months after purchase under certain investment programs where a financial intermediary received an advance payment on the transaction. CDSC exceptions may apply. See "Sales Charge When You Redeem."

## REDUCING THE SALES CHARGE WITH BREAKPOINT DISCOUNTS

Your investment may qualify for a reduction or elimination of the sales charge, also known as a breakpoint discount. The breakpoint discounts offered by the Fund are indicated in the table above.

You or your financial intermediary must notify the Fund's Transfer Agent of eligibility for any applicable breakpoint discount at the time of purchase.

In order to receive the applicable breakpoint discount, it may be necessary at the time of purchase for you to inform your financial intermediary or the Transfer Agent of the existence of other accounts in which there are holdings eligible to be aggregated to meet a sales charge breakpoint ("Qualifying Accounts"). Qualifying Accounts mean those share accounts in the Federated funds held directly or through a financial intermediary or through a single-participant retirement account by you, your spouse, your parents (if you are under age 21) and/or your children under age 21, which can be linked using tax identification numbers (TINs), social security numbers (SSNs) or broker identification numbers (BINs). Accounts held through 401(k) plans and similar multi-participant retirement plans, or through "Section 529" college savings plans or those accounts which cannot be linked using TINs, SSNs or BINs, are not Qualifying Accounts.

In order to verify your eligibility for a breakpoint discount, you will be required to provide to your financial intermediary or the Transfer Agent certain information on your New Account Form and may be required to provide account statements regarding Qualifying Accounts. If you purchase through a financial intermediary, you may be asked to provide additional information and records as required by the financial intermediary. Failure to provide proper notification or verification of eligibility for a breakpoint discount may result in your not receiving a breakpoint discount to which you are otherwise entitled. Breakpoint discounts apply only to your current purchase and do not apply retroactively to previous purchases. The sales charges applicable to the Shares offered in this Prospectus, and the breakpoint discounts offered with respect to such Shares, are described in full in this Prospectus. Because the Prospectus is available on Federated's website free of charge, Federated does not disclose this information separately on the website.

**Contingent upon notification to the Transfer Agent, the sales charge at purchase of the A class only, may be reduced or eliminated by:**

#### **Larger Purchases**

- Purchasing the A class in greater quantities to reduce the applicable sales charge;

#### **Concurrent and Accumulated Purchases**

- Combining concurrent purchases of and/or current investments in the A class, B class, C class, F class and R class of any Federated fund made or held by Qualifying Accounts; the purchase amount used in determining the sales charge on your additional Share purchase will be calculated by multiplying the respective maximum public offering price times the number of the A class, B class, C class, F class and R class shares of any Federated fund currently held in Qualifying Accounts and adding the dollar amount of your current purchase; or

#### **Letter of Intent**

- Signing a letter of intent to purchase a qualifying amount of the A class within 13 months. (Call your financial intermediary or the Fund for more information.) The Fund's custodian will hold Shares in escrow equal to the maximum applicable sales charge. If you complete the Letter of Intent, the Custodian will release the Shares in escrow to your account. If you do not fulfill the Letter of Intent, the Custodian will redeem the appropriate amount from the Shares held in escrow to pay the sales charges that were not applied to your purchases.

#### **PURCHASE RESTRICTIONS ON C CLASS**

In order to maximize shareholder returns and minimize sales charges and marketing fees, an investor's purchases of the C class are generally limited to \$1,000,000 (except for employer-sponsored retirement plans held in omnibus accounts). In applying the limit, the dollar amount of the current purchase is added to the product obtained by multiplying the respective maximum public offering price times the number of the A class, B class, C class, F class and R class of any Federated fund currently held in linked Qualifying Accounts, as defined in the section entitled "Reducing the Sales Charge with Breakpoint Discounts." If the sum of these two amounts would equal or exceed the limit, then the current purchase order will not be processed. Instead, the Distributor will attempt to contact the investor or the investor's financial intermediary to offer the opportunity to convert the order to the A class.

If your Shares are held on the books of the Fund in the name of a financial intermediary, you may be subject to rules of your financial intermediary that differ from those of the Fund.

## **ELIMINATING THE SALES CHARGE**

Your investment may qualify for a sales charge waiver. Sales charge waivers offered by the Fund are listed below. In order to receive a sales charge waiver, you must inform your financial intermediary or the Transfer Agent at the time of each purchase that your investment is eligible for a waiver. It is possible that your financial intermediary may not, in accordance with its policies, procedures and system limitations, be able to ensure your receipt of one or more of these waiver categories. In this situation, you would need to invest directly through the Fund's Transfer Agent. If you do not let your financial intermediary or the Transfer Agent know that your investment is eligible for a sales charge waiver at the time of purchase, you may not receive the waiver to which you may otherwise be entitled.

**Contingent upon notification to the Transfer Agent, the sales charge will be eliminated when you purchase or acquire Shares:**

- within 120 days of redeeming Shares of an equal or greater amount (see "120 Day Reinstatement Program" below);
- through an eligible program offered by a Financial Intermediary that provides for the purchase of Shares without imposition of a sales charge (for example, a wrap account, self-directed brokerage account, retirement or other fee-based program offered by the Financial Intermediary);
- with reinvested dividends or capital gains;
- issued in connection with the merger, consolidation or acquisition of the assets of another fund. Further, the sales charge will be eliminated on purchases of Shares made by a shareholder that originally became a shareholder of a Federated Fund pursuant to the terms of an agreement and plan of reorganization which permits shareholders to acquire Shares at NAV, provided that such purchased Shares are held directly with the Fund's transfer agent. If the Shares are held through a financial intermediary, the sales charge waiver will not apply (A class only);
- as a Federated Life Member (Federated shareholders who originally were issued shares through the "Liberty Account," which was an account for the Liberty Family of Funds on February 28, 1987, or who invested through an affinity group prior to August 1, 1987, into the Liberty Account) (A class only);
- as a Trustee, employee or former employee of the Fund, the Adviser, the Distributor and their affiliates, an employee of any financial intermediary that sells Shares according to a sales agreement with the Distributor, an immediate family member of these individuals or a trust, pension or profit-sharing plan for these individuals; or
- pursuant to the exchange privilege.

The sales charge will not be eliminated if you purchase Shares of the Fund through an exchange of shares of Federated Government Reserves Fund unless your Federated Government Reserves Fund shares were acquired through an exchange of shares on which the sales charge had previously been paid.

## **120 DAY REINSTATEMENT PROGRAM**

Within 120 days of redeeming Class A Shares and Class C Shares of the Fund, upon proper notification to the Fund's Transfer Agent, you may reinvest all or a portion of the redemption proceeds in Class A Shares of the Fund at net asset value, without the imposition of a sales charge or CDSC. Please note:

- The ownership of the account receiving the purchase is not required to be identical to that of the account in which the redemption was placed; however, the registration of the account receiving the purchase must include at least one registered shareholder of the account from which the redemption occurred.
- You will not be reimbursed for any fees originally incurred on the redemption (e.g., CDSC or redemption fees) by subsequently participating in the 120 Day Reinstatement Program.
- The 120 Day Reinstatement Program does not supersede or override any restrictions placed on an account due to frequent trading and/or client contractual issues.

Additional operational restrictions may apply, please contact a Client Service Representative at 1-800-341-7400 for more information.

## **SALES CHARGE WHEN YOU REDEEM**

Your redemption proceeds may be reduced by a sales charge, commonly referred to as a contingent deferred sales charge (CDSC). Shares otherwise subject to a CDSC will not be charged a CDSC at the time of an exchange; however, the CDSC will continue to be measured from the date of your original purchase. The CDSC schedule applicable to your original purchase will continue to apply to the shares you receive in an exchange.

**To keep the sales charge as low as possible, the Fund redeems your Shares in this order:**

- Shares that are not subject to a CDSC; and
- Shares held the longest. (To determine the number of years your Shares have been held, include the time you held shares of other Federated funds that have been exchanged for Shares of this Fund.)

The CDSC is then calculated using the Share price at the time of purchase or redemption, whichever is lower.

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If you make a purchase of the A class in the amount of \$1 million or more and your financial intermediary received an advance commission on the sale, you will pay a 0.75% CDSC on any such Shares redeemed within 24 months of the purchase.

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**C:**

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You will pay a 1.00% CDSC if you redeem Shares within 12 months of the purchase date.

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Your redemption may qualify for a waiver of the CDSC. The CDSC waivers offered by the Fund are listed below. In order to receive a waiver of the CDSC, you must inform your financial intermediary or the Transfer Agent at the time of each redemption that your investment is eligible for a waiver. It is possible that your financial intermediary may not, in accordance with its policies, procedures and system limitations, be able to ensure your receipt of one or more of these waiver categories. In this situation, you would need to invest directly through the Fund's Transfer Agent in order to take advantage of the waiver. If you do not let your financial intermediary or the Transfer Agent know that your redemption is eligible for a CDSC waiver at the time of redemption, you may not receive the waiver to which you may otherwise be entitled.

**Contingent upon notification to the Transfer Agent, you will not be charged a CDSC when redeeming Shares:**

- following the death of the last surviving shareholder on the account or the post-purchase disability of all registered shareholders, as defined in Section 72(m)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the beneficiary on an account with a Transfer on Death registration is deemed the last surviving shareholder on the account);
- due to the termination of a trust following the death of the trustor/grantor or beneficiary, provided that the trust document specifically states that the trust is terminated upon the death;
- representing minimum required distributions from an IRA or other retirement plan as required under the Internal Revenue Code;
- purchased by Trustees, employees of the Fund, the Adviser, the Distributor and their affiliates, by employees of a financial intermediary that sells Shares according to a sales agreement with the Distributor, by the immediate family members of the above persons and by trusts, pension or profit-sharing plans for the above persons;
- purchased through an eligible program offered by a Financial Intermediary that provides for the purchase of Shares without imposition of a sales charge (for example, a wrap account, self-directed brokerage account, retirement or other fee-based program offered by the Financial Intermediary);
- purchased with reinvested dividends or capital gains;
- redeemed by the Fund when it closes an account for not meeting the minimum balance requirements; or
- purchased pursuant to the exchange privilege, if the Shares were held for the applicable CDSC holding period (the holding period on the Shares purchased in the exchange will include the holding period of the Shares sold in the exchange).

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- purchased in the amount of \$1 million or more and redeemed within 24 months of purchase if the Shares were originally purchased through an eligible program offered by a Financial Intermediary that provides for the purchase of Shares without imposition of a sales charge (for example, a wrap account, self-directed brokerage account, retirement or other fee-based program offered by the Financial Intermediary); or

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE AVAILABILITY OF CERTAIN WAIVERS AND DISCOUNTS**

The availability of certain sales charge waivers and discounts will depend on whether you purchase your shares directly from the Fund or through a financial intermediary. **Certain financial intermediaries may have different policies and procedures regarding the availability of front-end sales load waivers or CDSC waivers which are discussed in Appendix B to this Prospectus. The information contained in Appendix B is based on information provided by these financial intermediaries. Please contact your financial intermediary to ensure that you have the most current information regarding the sales charge waivers and discounts available to you and that you understand the steps you must take to qualify for available waivers and discounts.** In all instances, it is the shareholder's responsibility to notify the Fund or the shareholder's Financial Intermediary at the time of purchase of any relationship or other facts qualifying the investor for sales charge waivers or discounts. **For waivers and discounts not available through a particular financial intermediary, shareholders will have to purchase Fund shares directly from the Fund or through another financial intermediary to receive these waivers or discounts.**

## COMMISSIONS ON CERTAIN SHARES

The Fund does not charge any front-end load, deferred sales charge or other asset-based fee for sales or distribution of IS or R6 Shares. However, if you purchase IS or R6 Shares through a broker acting solely as an agent on behalf of its customers, you may be required to pay a commission to the broker in an amount determined and separately disclosed to you by the broker.

Because the Fund is not a party to any such commission arrangement between you and your broker, any purchases and redemptions of IS or R6 Shares will be made at the applicable net asset value (before imposition of the sales commission). Any such commissions charged by a broker are not reflected in the fees and expenses listed in the “Risk/Return Summary: Fees and Expenses” section of the Fund’s Prospectus and described above nor are they reflected in the “Performance: Bar Chart and Table,” because they are not charged by the Fund.

Shares of the Fund are available in other share classes that have different fees and expenses.

## How is the Fund Sold?

The Fund offers the following Share classes: Class A Shares (A), Class C Shares (C), Institutional Shares (IS) and Class R6 Shares (R6), each representing interests in a single portfolio of securities. All Share classes have different sales charges and other expenses which affect their performance. Please note that certain purchase restrictions may apply.

Under the Distributor’s Contract with the Fund, the Distributor, Federated Securities Corp., offers Shares on a continuous, best-efforts basis. The Distributor is a subsidiary of Federated Investors, Inc. (“Federated”).

### A & C Classes

The Fund’s Distributor markets the A and C classes to institutions or to individuals, directly or through financial intermediaries.

### IS Class

The Fund’s Distributor markets the IS class to Eligible Investors, as described below. In connection with a request to purchase the IS class, you should provide documentation sufficient to verify your status as an Eligible Investor. As a general matter, the IS class is not available for direct investment by natural persons.

The following categories of Eligible Investors are not subject to any minimum initial investment amount for the purchase of the IS class (however, such accounts remain subject to the Fund’s policy on “Accounts with Low Balances” as discussed later in this Prospectus):

- An investor participating in a no-load platform, network or other fee-based program offered by a financial intermediary, for example, a wrap-account or retirement platform where Federated has entered into an agreement with the intermediary;
- A trustee/director, employee or former employee of the Fund, the Adviser, the Distributor and their affiliates; an immediate family member of these individuals or a trust, pension or profit-sharing plan for these individuals;
- An employer-sponsored retirement plan;
- A trust institution investing on behalf of its trust customers;
- Additional sales to an investor (including a natural person) who owned the IS class of the Fund as of December 31, 2008;
- A Federated Fund;
- An investor (including a natural person) who acquired the IS class of a Federated fund pursuant to the terms of an agreement and plan of reorganization which permits the investor to acquire such shares; and
- In connection with an acquisition of an investment management or advisory business, or related investment services, products or assets, by Federated or its investment advisory subsidiaries, an investor (including a natural person) who: (1) becomes a client of an investment advisory subsidiary of Federated; or (2) is a shareholder or interest holder of a pooled investment vehicle or product that becomes advised or subadvised by a Federated investment advisory subsidiary as a result of such an acquisition other than as a result of a fund reorganization transaction pursuant to an agreement and plan of reorganization.

The following categories of Eligible Investors are subject to applicable minimum initial investment amounts for the purchase of the IS class (see “How to Purchase Shares” below):

- An investor, other than a natural person, purchasing the IS class directly from the Fund; and
- In connection with an initial purchase of the IS class through an exchange, an investor (including a natural person) who owned the IS class of another Federated fund as of December 31, 2008.



## **R6 Class**

The Fund's Distributor markets the R6 class to Eligible Investors, as described below. The R6 Shares are sold at net asset value and are not subject to any minimum initial or subsequent investment amounts. In connection with a request to purchase the R6 class, you should provide documentation sufficient to verify your status as an Eligible Investor.

R6 Shares do not carry sales commissions or pay Rule 12b-1 fees, or make similar payments to financial intermediaries. As a general matter, the R6 class is not available for direct investment by natural persons. Individual shareholders who purchase R6 Shares through retirement platforms or other intermediaries will not be eligible to hold R6 Shares outside of their respective plan or intermediary platform.

Following are categories of Eligible Investors:

- An investor participating in a no-load platform, network or other fee-based program offered by a financial intermediary, for example, a wrap-account or retirement platform where Federated has entered into an agreement with the intermediary;
- A trustee/director, employee or former employee of the Fund, the Adviser, the Distributor and their affiliates; an immediate family member of these individuals or a trust, pension or profit-sharing plan for these individuals;
- An employer-sponsored retirement plan;
- A trust institution investing on behalf of its trust customers;
- An investor, other than a natural person, purchasing Shares directly from the Fund;
- A Federated Fund;
- An investor (including a natural person) who acquired the R6 class of a Federated fund pursuant to the terms of an agreement and plan of reorganization which permits the investor to acquire such shares; and
- In connection with an acquisition of an investment management or advisory business, or related investment services, products or assets, by Federated or its investment advisory subsidiaries, an investor (including a natural person) who: (1) becomes a client of an investment advisory subsidiary of Federated; or (2) is a shareholder or interest holder of a pooled investment vehicle or product that becomes advised or subadvised by a Federated investment advisory subsidiary as a result of such an acquisition other than as a result of a fund reorganization transaction pursuant to an agreement and plan of reorganization.

## **Intra-Fund Share Conversion Program**

A shareholder in the Fund's Shares may convert their Shares at net asset value to any other share class of the Fund if the shareholder meets the investment minimum and eligibility requirements for the share class into which the conversion is sought, as applicable. The share conversion program is not applicable to the Fund's Class A Shares and Class C Shares subject to a contingent deferred sales charge, if applicable. For Class C Shares purchased through a financial intermediary after June 30, 2017, such shares may only be converted to another share class of the same Fund if: (i) the shares are no longer subject to a CDSC or the financial intermediary agrees to reimburse the Fund's distributor the CDSC otherwise payable upon the sale of such shares; (ii) the shareholder meets the investment minimum and eligibility requirements for the share class into which the conversion is sought, as applicable; and (iii) (a) the conversion is made to facilitate the shareholder's participation in a self-directed brokerage (non-advice) account or a fee-based advisory program offered by the intermediary; or (b) the conversion is part of a multiple-client transaction through a particular financial intermediary as pre-approved by the Fund's Administrator. Such conversion of classes should not result in a realization event for tax purposes. Contact your financial intermediary or call 1-800-341-7400 to convert your Shares.

## **Class C Share Automatic Conversion Feature**

After Class C Shares have been held for ten years from the date of purchase, they will automatically convert into Class A Shares on the next monthly conversion processing date, provided that the Fund or financial intermediary has records confirming that the Class C Shares have been held for at least ten years and that the Class A Shares are available for purchase. For Class C Shares acquired in an exchange from another Federated fund, the date of purchase will be based on the initial purchase of the Class C Shares of the prior Federated fund. Certain financial intermediaries, record keepers and platforms do not track shareholder level share lot aging for certain types of accounts. These Class C Shares would not satisfy the conditions for the conversion. Contact your financial intermediary or call 1-800-341-7400 for more information.

## **Payments to Financial Intermediaries**

The Fund and its affiliated service providers may pay fees as described below to financial intermediaries (such as broker-dealers, banks, investment advisers or third-party administrators) whose customers are shareholders of the Fund.

The Fund's Class R6 Shares do not make any payments to financial intermediaries, either from Fund assets or from the investment adviser and its affiliates.

## FRONT-END SALES CHARGE REALLOWANCES

The Distributor receives a front-end sales charge on certain Share sales. The Distributor pays a portion of this charge to financial intermediaries that are eligible to receive it (the “Dealer Reallowance”) and retains any remaining portion of the front-end sales charge.

When a financial intermediary’s customer purchases Shares, the financial intermediary may receive a Dealer Reallowance as follows:

**A:**

Purchase Amount	Dealer Reallowance as a Percentage of Public Offering Price
Less than \$50,000	5.00%
\$50,000 but less than \$100,000	4.00%
\$100,000 but less than \$250,000	3.25%
\$250,000 but less than \$500,000	2.25%
\$500,000 but less than \$1 million	1.80%
\$1 million or greater	0.00%

## ADVANCE COMMISSIONS

When a financial intermediary’s customer purchases Shares, the financial intermediary may receive an advance commission as follows:

**A (for purchases over \$1 million):**

Purchase Amount	Advance Commission as a Percentage of Public Offering Price
First \$1 million - \$5 million	0.75%
Next \$5 million - \$20 million	0.50%
Over \$20 million	0.25%

Advance commissions are calculated on a year-by-year basis based on amounts invested during that year. Accordingly, with respect to additional purchase amounts, the advance commission breakpoint resets annually to the first breakpoint on the anniversary of the first purchase.

The A class purchases under this program may be made by Letter of Intent or by combining concurrent purchases. The above advance commission will be paid only on those purchases that were not previously subject to a front-end sales charge or dealer advance commission. Certain retirement accounts may not be eligible for this program.

**C:**

	Advance Commission as a Percentage of Public Offering Price
All Purchase Amounts	1.00%

## RULE 12B-1 FEES

### C Class

The Board has adopted a Rule 12b-1 Plan, which allows payment of marketing fees of up to 0.75% of average net assets to the Distributor for the sale, distribution, administration and customer servicing of the Fund’s C class. When the Distributor receives Rule 12b-1 Fees, it may pay some or all of them to financial intermediaries whose customers purchase Shares. In addition, in connection with the sale of the C class, Federated and its subsidiaries make advance commission payments to financial intermediaries and in return may receive Rule 12b-1 Fees and contingent deferred sales loads for the C class. Federated and its subsidiaries may benefit or sustain losses from such arrangements. Because these Shares pay marketing fees on an ongoing basis, your investment cost may be higher over time than other shares with different sales charges and marketing fees.

## **SERVICE FEES**

### **A & C Classes**

A and C classes may pay Service Fees of up to 0.25% of average net assets to financial intermediaries or to Federated Shareholder Services Company (FSSC), a subsidiary of Federated, for providing services to shareholders and maintaining shareholder accounts. Intermediaries that receive Service Fees may include a company affiliated with management of Federated. If a financial intermediary receives Service Fees on an account, it is not eligible to also receive Account Administration Fees on that same account.

## **ACCOUNT ADMINISTRATION FEES**

### **A & C Classes**

A and C classes may pay Account Administration Fees of up to 0.25% of average net assets to banks that are not registered as broker-dealers or investment advisers for providing administrative services to the Fund and its shareholders. If a financial intermediary receives Account Administration Fees on an account, it is not eligible to also receive Service Fees or Recordkeeping Fees on that same account.

## **RECORDKEEPING FEES**

### **A, C & IS Classes**

The Fund may pay Recordkeeping Fees on an average-net-assets basis or on a per-account-per-year basis to financial intermediaries for providing recordkeeping services to the Fund and its shareholders. If a financial intermediary receives Recordkeeping Fees on an account, it is not eligible to also receive Account Administration Fees or Networking Fees on that same account.

## **NETWORKING FEES**

### **A, C & IS Classes**

The Fund may reimburse Networking Fees on a per-account-per-year basis to financial intermediaries for providing administrative services to the Fund and its shareholders on certain non-omnibus accounts. If a financial intermediary receives Networking Fees on an account, it is not eligible to also receive Recordkeeping Fees on that same account.

## **ADDITIONAL PAYMENTS TO FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES**

### **A, C & IS Classes**

The Distributor may pay out of its own resources amounts to certain financial intermediaries, including broker-dealers, banks, registered investment advisers, independent financial planners and retirement plan administrators, that support the sale of Shares or provide services to Fund shareholders. The amounts of these payments could be significant, and may create an incentive for the financial intermediary or its employees or associated persons to recommend or sell Shares of the Fund to you. Not all financial intermediaries receive such payments, and the amount of compensation may vary by intermediary. In some cases, such payments may be made by or funded from the resources of companies affiliated with the Distributor (including the Adviser). These payments are not reflected in the fees and expenses listed in the fee table section of the Fund's Prospectus and described above because they are not paid by the Fund.

These payments are negotiated and may be based on such factors as: the number or value of Shares that the financial intermediary sells or may sell; the value of client assets invested; the level and types of services or support furnished by the financial intermediary; or the Fund's and/or other Federated funds' relationship with the financial intermediary. These payments may be in addition to payments, as described above, made by the Fund to the financial intermediary. In connection with these payments, the financial intermediary may elevate the prominence or profile of the Fund and/or other Federated funds, within the financial intermediary's organization by, for example, placement on a list of preferred or recommended funds and/or granting the Distributor preferential or enhanced opportunities to promote the funds in various ways within the financial intermediary's organization. In addition, as discussed above in "Commissions on Certain Shares," if you purchase Institutional or R6 Shares through a broker acting solely as an agent on behalf of its customers, you may be required to pay a commission to the broker in an amount determined and separately disclosed to you by the broker. You can ask your financial intermediary for information about any payments it receives from the Distributor or the Fund and any services provided, as well as about fees and/or commissions it charges.

## How to Purchase Shares

You may purchase Shares of the Fund any day the NYSE is open. Shares will be purchased at the NAV next calculated after your investment is received by the Fund, or its agent, in proper form. The Fund reserves the right to reject any request to purchase or exchange Shares. New investors must submit a completed New Account Form. All accounts, with the exception of R6 class accounts, including those for which there is no minimum initial investment amount required, are subject to the Fund's policy on "Accounts with Low Balances" as discussed later in this Prospectus.

Where the Fund offers more than one Share class and you do not specify the class choice on your New Account Form or form of payment (e.g., Federal Reserve wire or check), you automatically will receive the A class.

For important account information, see the section "Security and Privacy Protection."

### **A & C Classes**

You may purchase Shares through a financial intermediary, directly from the Fund or through an exchange from another Federated fund.

### **IS Class**

Eligible investors may purchase Shares through a financial intermediary, directly from the Fund or through an exchange from another Federated fund in the manner described above under "How is the Fund Sold?"

Where applicable, the required minimum initial investment for the IS class is generally \$1,000,000. There is no minimum subsequent investment amount.

### **R6 Class**

Eligible Investors may purchase Shares through a financial intermediary, directly from the Fund or through an exchange from another Federated fund in the manner described above under "How is the Fund Sold?"

There is no minimum initial or subsequent investment amount required.

### **THROUGH A FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARY**

- Establish an account with the financial intermediary; and
- Submit your purchase order to the financial intermediary before the end of regular trading on the NYSE (normally 4:00 p.m. Eastern time).

The Fund has authorized certain intermediaries to accept Share purchase orders on its behalf. When authorized intermediaries receive an order in proper form, the order is considered as being placed with the Fund, and Shares will be bought at the NAV next calculated after such an order is received by the authorized intermediary. If your financial intermediary is not an authorized intermediary, the Fund or its agent must receive the purchase order in proper form from your financial intermediary by the end of regular trading on the NYSE (normally 4:00 p.m. Eastern time) in order for your transaction to be priced at that day's NAV. In addition, your financial intermediary must forward your payment by the prescribed trade settlement date (typically within one to three business days) to the Fund's transfer agent, State Street Bank and Trust Company ("Transfer Agent"). You will become the owner of Shares and receive dividends when your payment is received in accordance with these time frames (provided that, if payment is received in the form of a check, the check clears). If your payment is not received in accordance with these time frames, or a check does not clear, your purchase will be canceled and you could be liable for any losses, fees or expenses incurred by the Fund or the Fund's Transfer Agent.

Financial intermediaries should send payments according to the instructions in the sections "By Wire" or "By Check."

Financial intermediaries may impose higher or lower minimum investment requirements on their customers than those imposed by the Fund. Keep in mind that financial intermediaries may charge you fees for their services in connection with your Share transactions.

Shareholders are encouraged to ask their financial intermediary if they are an authorized agent for the Fund and about any fees that may be charged by the financial intermediary.

### **DIRECTLY FROM THE FUND**

- Establish your account with the Fund by submitting a completed New Account Form; and
- Send your payment to the Fund by Federal Reserve wire or check.

You will become the owner of Shares and your Shares will be priced at the next calculated NAV after the Fund receives your wire or your check. If your check does not clear, your purchase will be canceled and you could be liable for any losses or fees incurred by the Fund or the Fund's Transfer Agent.

**By Wire**

To facilitate processing your order, please call the Fund before sending the wire. Send your wire to:

State Street Bank and Trust Company

Boston, MA

Dollar Amount of Wire

ABA Number 011000028

BNF: 23026552

Attention: Federated EDGEWIRE

Wire Order Number, Dealer Number or Group Number

Nominee/Institution Name

Fund Name and Number and Account Number

You cannot purchase Shares by wire on holidays when wire transfers are restricted.

**By Check**

Make your check payable to **The Federated Funds**, note your account number on the check, and send it to:

The Federated Funds

P.O. Box 219318

Kansas City, MO 64121-9318

If you send your check by a **private courier or overnight delivery service** that requires a street address, send it to:

The Federated Funds

430 W 7<sup>th</sup> Street

Suite 219318

Kansas City, MO 64105-1407

Payment should be made in U.S. dollars and drawn on a U.S. bank. The Fund reserves the right to reject **any** purchase request. For example, to protect against check fraud the Fund may reject any purchase request involving a check that is not made payable to **The Federated Funds** (including, but not limited to, requests to purchase Shares using third-party checks) or involving temporary checks or credit card checks.

**By Direct Deposit**

You may establish Payroll Deduction/Direct Deposit arrangements for investments into the Fund by either calling a Client Service Representative at 1-800-341-7400; or by completing the Payroll Deduction/Direct Deposit Form, which is available on FederatedInvestors.com under Customer Service/Find a Form. You will receive a confirmation when this service is available.

**THROUGH AN EXCHANGE**

You may purchase Fund Shares through an exchange from another Federated fund. To do this you must:

- meet any applicable shareholder eligibility requirements;
- ensure that the account registrations are identical;
- meet any applicable minimum initial investment requirements; and
- receive a prospectus for the fund into which you wish to exchange.

An exchange is treated as a redemption and a subsequent purchase, and is a taxable transaction. The Fund reserves the right to reject any request to purchase or exchange Shares. The Fund may modify or terminate the exchange privilege at any time.

**A & C Classes**

You may purchase Shares through an exchange from the same share class of another Federated fund.

**IS & R6 Classes**

You may purchase Shares through an exchange from any Federated fund or share class that does not have a stated sales charge or contingent deferred sales charge, except Shares of Federated Institutional Money Market Management, Federated Institutional Tax-Free Cash Trust, Federated Institutional Prime Obligations Fund, Federated Institutional Prime Value Obligations Fund, Class A Shares of Federated Government Reserves Fund and Class R Shares of any Fund.

### **By Online Account Services**

You may access your accounts online to purchase shares through Federated's Shareholder Account Access system once you have registered for access. Online transactions may be subject to certain limitations including limitations as to the amount of the transaction. For more information about the services available through Shareholder Account Access, please visit [www.FederatedInvestors.com](http://www.FederatedInvestors.com) and select "My Investments," or call (800) 245-4770 to speak with a Client Service Representative.

### **BY SYSTEMATIC INVESTMENT PROGRAM (SIP)**

Once you have opened an account, you may automatically purchase additional Shares on a regular basis by completing the SIP section of the New Account Form or by contacting the Fund or your financial intermediary. The minimum investment amount for SIPs is \$50.

### **BY AUTOMATED CLEARING HOUSE (ACH)**

Once you have opened an account, you may purchase additional Shares through a depository institution that is an ACH member. This purchase option can be established by completing the appropriate sections of the New Account Form.

### **RETIREMENT INVESTMENTS**

#### **A & C Classes**

You may purchase Shares as retirement investments (such as qualified plans and IRAs or transfer or rollover of assets). Call your financial intermediary or the Fund for information on retirement investments. We suggest that you discuss retirement investments with your tax adviser. You may be subject to an account fee charged by your financial intermediary.

#### **R6 Class**

You may purchase Shares as retirement investments (such as qualified plans or transfer of assets). Call your financial intermediary or the Fund for information on retirement investments. We suggest that you discuss retirement investments with your tax adviser. You may be subject to an account fee charged by your financial intermediary.

## **How to Redeem and Exchange Shares**

You should redeem or exchange Shares:

- through a financial intermediary if you purchased Shares through a financial intermediary; or
- directly from the Fund if you purchased Shares directly from the Fund.

Shares of the Fund may be redeemed for cash, or exchanged for shares of other Federated funds as described herein, on days on which the Fund computes its NAV. Redemption requests may be made by telephone or in writing.

Redemption proceeds normally are wired or mailed within one business day for each method of payment after receiving a timely request in proper form. Depending upon the method of payment, when shareholders receive redemption proceeds can differ. Payment may be delayed for up to seven days under certain circumstances (see "Limitations on Redemption Proceeds").

For important account information, see the section "Security and Privacy Protection."

### **THROUGH A FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARY**

Submit your redemption or exchange request to your financial intermediary by the end of regular trading on the NYSE (normally 4:00 p.m. Eastern time). The redemption amount you will receive is based upon the next calculated NAV after the Fund receives the order from your financial intermediary.

### **DIRECTLY FROM THE FUND**

#### **By Telephone**

You may redeem or exchange Shares by simply calling the Fund at 1-800-341-7400.

If you call before the end of regular trading on the NYSE (normally 4:00 p.m. Eastern time), you will receive a redemption amount based on that day's NAV.

#### **By Mail**

You may redeem or exchange Shares by sending a written request to the Fund.

You will receive a redemption amount based on the next calculated NAV after the Fund receives your written request in proper form.

Send requests by mail to:

The Federated Funds  
P.O. Box 219318  
Kansas City, MO 64121-9318

Send requests by **private courier or overnight delivery service** to:

The Federated Funds  
430 W 7<sup>th</sup> Street  
Suite 219318  
Kansas City, MO 64105-1407

All requests must include:

- Fund name and Share class, account number and account registration;
- amount to be redeemed or exchanged;
- signatures of all shareholders exactly as registered; and
- **if exchanging**, the Fund name and Share class, account number and account registration into which you are exchanging.

Call your financial intermediary or the Fund if you need special instructions.

### **Signature Guarantees**

Signatures must be guaranteed by a financial institution which is a participant in a Medallion signature guarantee program if:

- your redemption will be sent to an address other than the address of record;
- your redemption will be sent to an address of record that was changed within the last 30 days;
- a redemption is payable to someone other than the shareholder(s) of record; or
- transferring into another fund with a different shareholder registration.

A Medallion signature guarantee is designed to protect your account from fraud. Obtain a Medallion signature guarantee from a bank or trust company, savings association, credit union or broker, dealer or securities exchange member. **A notary public cannot provide a signature guarantee.**

### **By Online Account Services**

You may access your accounts online to redeem or exchange shares through Federated's Shareholder Account Access system once you have registered for access. Online transactions may be subject to certain limitations including limitations as to the amount of the transaction. For more information about the services available through Shareholder Account Access, please visit [www.FederatedInvestors.com](http://www.FederatedInvestors.com) and select "My Investments," or call (800) 245-4770 to speak with a Client Service Representative.

### **PAYMENT METHODS FOR REDEMPTIONS**

Your redemption proceeds will be mailed by check to your address of record. The following payment options are available if you complete the appropriate section of the New Account Form or an Account Service Options Form. These payment options require a signature guarantee if they were not established when the account was opened:

- An electronic transfer to your account at a financial institution that is an ACH member; or
- Wire payment to your account at a domestic commercial bank that is a Federal Reserve System member.

### **METHODS THE FUND MAY USE TO MEET REDEMPTION REQUESTS**

The Fund intends to pay Share redemptions in cash. To ensure that the Fund has cash to meet Share redemptions on any day, the Fund typically expects to hold a cash or cash equivalent reserve or sell portfolio securities.

In unusual or stressed circumstances, the Fund may generate cash in the following ways:

- **Inter-fund Borrowing and Lending.** The SEC has granted an exemption that permits the Fund and all other funds advised by subsidiaries of Federated Investors, Inc. ("Federated funds") to lend and borrow money for certain temporary purposes directly to and from other Federated funds. Inter-fund borrowing and lending is permitted only: (a) to meet shareholder redemption requests; (b) to meet commitments arising from "failed" trades; and (c) for other temporary purposes. All inter-fund loans must be repaid in seven days or less.
- **Committed Line of Credit.** The Fund participates with certain other Federated funds, on a joint basis, in an up to \$500,000,000 unsecured, 364-day, committed, revolving line of credit (LOC) agreement. The LOC was made available to finance temporarily the repurchase or redemption of shares of the funds, failed trades, payment of dividends, settlement of trades and for other short-term, temporary or emergency general business purposes. The Fund cannot borrow under the LOC if an inter-fund loan is outstanding.

- **Redemption in Kind.** Although the Fund intends to pay Share redemptions in cash, it reserves the right to pay the redemption price in whole or in part by an “in-kind” distribution of the Fund’s portfolio securities. Because the Fund has elected to be governed by Rule 18f-1 under the 1940 Act, the Fund is obligated to pay Share redemptions to any one shareholder in cash only up to the lesser of \$250,000 or 1% of the net assets represented by such Share class during any 90-day period. Redemptions in kind are made consistent with the procedures adopted by the Fund’s Board, which generally include distributions of a pro rata share of the Fund’s portfolio assets. Redemption in kind is not as liquid as a cash redemption. If redemption is made in kind, securities received may be subject to market risk and the shareholder could incur taxable gains and brokerage or other charges in converting the securities to cash.

#### **LIMITATIONS ON REDEMPTION PROCEEDS**

Redemption proceeds normally are wired or mailed within one business day after receiving a request in proper form. Payment may be delayed for up to seven days:

- to allow your purchase to clear (as discussed below);
- during periods of market volatility;
- when a shareholder’s trade activity or amount adversely impacts the Fund’s ability to manage its assets; or
- during any period when the Federal Reserve wire or applicable Federal Reserve banks are closed, other than customary weekend and holiday closings.

If you request a redemption of Shares recently purchased by check (including a cashier’s check or certified check), money order, bank draft or ACH, your redemption proceeds may not be made available for up to seven calendar days to allow the Fund to collect payment on the instrument used to purchase such Shares. If the purchase instrument does not clear, your purchase order will be canceled and you will be responsible for any losses incurred by the Fund as a result of your canceled order.

In addition, the right of redemption may be suspended, or the payment of proceeds may be delayed (including beyond seven days), during any period:

- when the NYSE is closed, other than customary weekend and holiday closings;
- when trading on the NYSE is restricted, as determined by the SEC;
- in which an emergency exists, as determined by the SEC, so that disposal of the Fund’s investments or determination of its NAV is not reasonably practicable; or
- as the SEC may by order permit for the protection of Fund shareholders.

You will not accrue interest or dividends on uncashed redemption checks from the Fund when checks are undeliverable and returned to the Fund.

#### **REDEMPTIONS FROM RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS**

##### **A, C & R6 Classes**

In the absence of your specific instructions, 10% of the value of your redemption from a retirement account in the Fund may be withheld for taxes. This withholding only applies to certain types of retirement accounts.

#### **EXCHANGE PRIVILEGE**

You may exchange Shares of the Fund. To do this, you must:

- meet any applicable shareholder eligibility requirements;
- ensure that the account registrations are identical;
- meet any applicable minimum initial investment requirements; and
- receive a prospectus for the fund into which you wish to exchange.

An exchange is treated as a redemption and a subsequent purchase, and is a taxable transaction. The Fund reserves the right to reject any request to purchase or exchange Shares. The Fund may modify or terminate the exchange privilege at any time.

In addition, the Fund may terminate your exchange privilege if your exchange activity is found to be excessive under the Fund’s frequent trading policies. See “Account and Share Information – Frequent Trading Policies.”

Financial intermediaries may have different policies and procedures regarding the availability of intra-fund exchanges (“automatic exchanges”). These exchanges which are directed by the financial intermediary and not the Fund are discussed in Appendix B to this Prospectus.

##### **A & C Classes**

You may exchange Shares into shares of the same class of another Federated fund.



## **IS & R6 Classes**

You may exchange Shares of the Fund for shares of any Federated fund or share class that does not have a stated sales charge or contingent deferred sales charge, except Shares of Federated Institutional Money Market Management, Federated Institutional Tax-Free Cash Trust, Federated Institutional Prime Obligations Fund, Federated Institutional Prime Value Obligations Fund, Class A Shares of Federated Government Reserves Fund and Class R Shares of any Fund.

## **SYSTEMATIC WITHDRAWAL/EXCHANGE PROGRAM**

You may automatically redeem or exchange Shares. The minimum amount for all new or revised systematic redemptions or exchanges of Shares is \$50 per transaction per fund. Complete the appropriate section of the New Account Form or an Account Service Options Form or contact your financial intermediary or the Fund. Your account value must meet the minimum initial investment amount at the time the program is established. This program may reduce, and eventually deplete, your account. Payments should not be considered yield or income.

Generally, it is not advisable to continue to purchase Shares subject to a sales charge while redeeming Shares using this program.

## **ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS**

### **Telephone Transactions**

The Fund will record your telephone instructions. If the Fund does not follow reasonable procedures, it may be liable for losses due to unauthorized or fraudulent telephone instructions.

### **Share Certificates**

The Fund no longer issues share certificates. If you are redeeming or exchanging Shares represented by certificates previously issued by the Fund, you must return the certificates with your written redemption or exchange request. For your protection, send your certificates by registered or certified mail, but do not endorse them.

## Security and Privacy Protection

### **ONLINE ACCOUNT AND TELEPHONE ACCESS SECURITY**

Federated Investors, Inc. will not be responsible for losses that result from unauthorized transactions, unless Federated does not follow procedures designed to verify your identity. When initiating a transaction by telephone or online, shareholders should be aware that any person with access to your account and other personal information including PINs (Personal Identification Numbers) may be able to submit instructions by telephone or online. Shareholders are responsible for protecting their identity by using strong usernames and complex passwords which utilize combinations of mixed case letters, numbers and symbols, and change passwords and PINs frequently.

Using Federated's Account Access website means you are consenting to sending and receiving personal financial information over the Internet, so you should be sure you are comfortable with the risks. You will be required to accept the terms of an online agreement and to establish and utilize a password in order to access online account services. The Transfer Agent has adopted security procedures to confirm that internet instructions are genuine. The Transfer Agent will also send you written confirmation of share transactions. The Transfer Agent, the Fund and any of its affiliates will not be liable for losses or expenses that occur from fraudulent Internet instructions reasonably believed to be genuine.

The Transfer Agent or the Fund will employ reasonable procedures to confirm that telephone transaction requests are genuine, which may include recording calls, asking the caller to provide certain personal identification information, sending you written confirmation, or requiring other confirmation security procedures. The Transfer Agent, the Fund and any of its affiliates will not be liable for relying on instructions submitted by telephone that the Fund reasonably believes to be genuine.

### **ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING COMPLIANCE**

To help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, federal law requires financial institutions to obtain, verify, and record information that identifies each new customer who opens a Fund account and to determine whether such person's name appears on governmental lists of known or suspected terrorists or terrorist organizations. Pursuant to the requirements under the USA PATRIOT Act, the information obtained will be used for compliance with the USA PATRIOT Act or other applicable laws, regulations and rules in connection with money laundering, terrorism or other illicit activities.

Information required includes your name, residential or business address, date of birth (for an individual), and other information that identifies you, including your social security number, tax identification number or other identifying number. The Fund cannot waive these requirements. The Fund is required by law to reject your Account Application if the required information is not provided. If, after reasonable effort, the Fund is unable to verify your identity or that of any other person(s) authorized to act on your behalf, or believes it has identified potentially suspicious, fraudulent or criminal activity, the Fund reserves the right to close your account and redeem your shares at the next calculated NAV without your permission. Any applicable contingent deferred sales charge (CDSC) will be assessed upon redemption of your shares.

The Fund has a strict policy designed to protect the privacy of your personal information. A copy of Federated Investors' privacy policy notice was given to you at the time you opened your account. The Fund sends a copy of the privacy notice to you annually. You may also obtain the privacy notice by calling the Fund, or through Federated Investors' website.

## Account and Share Information

### **CONFIRMATIONS AND ACCOUNT STATEMENTS**

You will receive confirmation of purchases, redemptions and exchanges (except for systematic transactions). In addition, you will receive periodic statements reporting all account activity, including systematic transactions, dividends and capital gains paid.

### **DIVIDENDS AND CAPITAL GAINS**

The Fund declares and pays any dividends annually to shareholders. Dividends are paid to all shareholders invested in the Fund on the record date. The record date is the date on which a shareholder must officially own Shares in order to earn a dividend.

In addition, the Fund pays any capital gains at least annually and may make such special distributions of dividends and capital gains as may be necessary to meet applicable regulatory requirements. Your dividends and capital gains distributions will be automatically reinvested in additional Shares without a sales charge, unless you elect cash payments. Dividends may also be reinvested without sales charges in shares of any class of any other Federated fund of which you are already a shareholder.

If you purchase Shares just before the record date for a dividend or capital gain distribution, you will pay the full price for the Shares and then receive a portion of the price back in the form of a taxable distribution, whether or not you reinvest the distribution in Shares. Therefore, you should consider the tax implications of purchasing Shares shortly before the record date for a dividend or capital gain. Contact your financial intermediary or the Fund for information concerning when dividends and capital gains will be paid.

Under the federal securities laws, the Fund is required to provide a notice to shareholders regarding the source of distributions made by the Fund if such distributions are from sources other than ordinary investment income. In addition, important information regarding the Fund's distributions, if applicable, is available via the link to the Fund and share class name at [www.Federatedinvestors.com/FundInformation](http://www.Federatedinvestors.com/FundInformation).

### **SMALL DISTRIBUTIONS AND UNCASHED CHECKS**

Generally, dividend and/or capital gain distributions payable by check in an amount of less than \$25 will be automatically reinvested in additional shares. This policy does not apply if you have elected to receive cash distributions that are directly deposited into your bank account via wire or ACH.

Additionally, if one or more dividend or capital gain distribution checks are returned as "undeliverable," or remain uncashed for 180 days, all subsequent dividend and capital gain distributions will be reinvested in additional shares. No interest will accrue on amounts represented by uncashed distribution checks. For questions on whether reinvestment applies to your distributions, please contact a Client Service Representative at 1-800-341-7400.

Certain states, including the state of Texas, have laws that allow shareholders to designate a representative to receive abandoned or unclaimed property ("escheatment") notifications by completing and submitting a designation form that generally can be found on the official state website. If a shareholder resides in an applicable state, and elects to designate a representative to receive escheatment notifications, escheatment notices generally will be delivered as required by such state laws, including, as applicable, to both the shareholder and the designated representative. A completed designation form may be mailed to the Fund (if Shares are held directly with the Fund) or to the shareholder's financial intermediary (if Shares are not held directly with the Fund). Shareholders should refer to relevant state law for the shareholder's specific rights and responsibilities under his or her state's escheatment law(s), which can generally be found on a state's official website.

### **ACCOUNTS WITH LOW BALANCES**

Federated reserves the right to close accounts if redemptions or exchanges cause the account balance to fall below:

- \$1,500 for the A and C classes (or in the case of IRAs, \$250); and

- \$25,000 for the IS class.

Before an account is closed, you will be notified and allowed at least 30 days to purchase additional Shares to meet the minimum.

## **TAX INFORMATION**

The Fund sends an IRS Form 1099 and an annual statement of your account activity to assist you in completing your federal, state and local tax returns. Fund distributions of dividends and capital gains are taxable to you whether paid in cash or reinvested in the Fund. Dividends are taxable at different rates depending on the source of dividend income. Distributions of net short-term capital gains are taxable to you as ordinary income. Distributions of net short-term capital gains are taxable to you as long-term capital gains regardless of how long you have owned your Shares.

Fund distributions are expected to be both dividends and capital gains. Redemptions and exchanges are taxable sales. Please consult your tax adviser regarding your federal, state and local tax liability.

## **FREQUENT TRADING POLICIES**

Frequent or short-term trading into and out of the Fund can have adverse consequences for the Fund and shareholders who use the Fund as a long-term investment vehicle. Such trading in significant amounts can disrupt the Fund's investment strategies (e.g., by requiring it to sell investments at inopportune times or maintain excessive short-term or cash positions to support redemptions), increase brokerage and administrative costs and affect the timing and amount of taxable gains distributed by the Fund. Investors engaged in such trading may also seek to profit by anticipating changes in the Fund's NAV in advance of the time as of which NAV is calculated.

The Fund's Board has approved policies and procedures intended to discourage excessive frequent or short-term trading of the Fund's Shares. The Fund monitors trading in Fund Shares in an effort to identify disruptive trading activity. The Fund monitors trades into and out of the Fund within a period of 30 days or less. The Fund may also monitor trades into and out of the Fund for potentially disruptive trading activity over periods longer than 30 days. The size of Share transactions subject to monitoring varies. Where it is determined that a shareholder has exceeded the detection amounts twice within a period of 12 months, the Fund will temporarily prohibit the shareholder from making further purchases or exchanges of Fund Shares. If the shareholder continues to exceed the detection amounts for specified periods the Fund will impose lengthier trading restrictions on the shareholder, up to and including permanently prohibiting the shareholder from making any further purchases or exchanges of Fund Shares. Whether or not the specific monitoring limits are exceeded, the Fund's management or the Adviser may determine from the amount, frequency or pattern of purchases and redemptions or exchanges that a shareholder is engaged in excessive trading that is or could be detrimental to the Fund and other shareholders and may prohibit the shareholder from making further purchases or exchanges of Fund Shares. No matter how the Fund defines its limits on frequent trading of Fund Shares, other purchases and sales of Fund Shares may have adverse effects on the management of the Fund's portfolio and its performance.

The Fund's frequent trading restrictions do not apply to purchases and sales of Fund Shares by other Federated funds. These funds impose the same frequent trading restrictions as the Fund at their shareholder level. In addition, allocation changes of the investing Federated fund are monitored, and the managers of the recipient fund must determine that there is no disruption to their management activity. The intent of this exception is to allow investing fund managers to accommodate cash flows and other activity that result from non-abusive trading in the investing fund, without being stopped from such trading because the aggregate of such trades exceeds the monitoring limits. Nonetheless, as with any trading in Fund Shares, purchases and redemptions of Fund Shares by other Federated funds could adversely affect the management of the Fund's portfolio and its performance.

The Fund will not restrict transactions made on a non-discretionary basis by certain asset allocation programs, wrap programs, fund of funds, collective funds or other similar accounts that have been pre-approved by Federated ("Approved Accounts"). The Fund will continue to monitor transactions by the Approved Accounts and will seek to limit or restrict even non-discretionary transactions by Approved Accounts that are determined to be disruptive or harmful to the Fund.

The Fund's objective is that its restrictions on short-term trading should apply to all shareholders that are subject to the restrictions, regardless of the number or type of accounts in which Shares are held. However, the Fund anticipates that limitations on its ability to identify trading activity to specific shareholders, including where Shares are held through intermediaries in multiple or omnibus accounts, will mean that these restrictions may not be able to be applied uniformly in all cases.

Other funds in the Federated family of funds may impose different monitoring policies or in some cases, may not monitor for frequent or short-term trading. Under normal market conditions such monitoring policies are designed to protect the funds being monitored and their shareholders and the operation of such policies and shareholder investments under such monitoring are not expected to have materially adverse impact on the Federated funds or their shareholders. If you plan to exchange your Fund Shares for shares of another Federated fund, please read the prospectus of that other Federated fund for more information.

## PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS INFORMATION

Information concerning the Fund's portfolio holdings is available via the link to the Fund and share class name at [www.FederatedInvestors.com/FundInformation](http://www.FederatedInvestors.com/FundInformation). A complete listing of the Fund's portfolio holdings as of the end of each calendar quarter is posted on the website 30 days (or the next business day) after the end of the quarter and remains posted for six months thereafter. Summary portfolio composition information as of the close of each month is posted on the website 15 days (or the next business day) after month-end and remains posted until replaced by the information for the succeeding month. The summary portfolio composition information may include identification of the Fund's top ten holdings and a percentage breakdown of the portfolio by sector.

You may also access portfolio information as of the end of the Fund's fiscal quarters via the link to the Fund and share class name at [www.FederatedInvestors.com/FundInformation](http://www.FederatedInvestors.com/FundInformation). The Fund's Annual and Semi-Annual Shareholder Reports contain complete listings of the Fund's portfolio holdings as of the end of the Fund's second and fourth fiscal quarters. The Fund's Form N-Q filings contain complete listings of the Fund's portfolio holdings as of the end of the Fund's first and third fiscal quarters. Fiscal quarter information is made available on the website within 70 days after the end of the fiscal quarter. This information is also available in reports filed with the SEC at the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

In addition, from time to time (for example, during periods of unusual market conditions), additional information regarding the Fund's portfolio holdings and/or composition may be posted to Federated's website. If and when such information is posted, its availability will be noted on, and the information will be accessible from, the home page of the website.

## Who Manages the Fund?

The Board governs the Fund. The Board selects and oversees the Adviser, Federated MDTA LLC ("MDT Advisers") which is registered as an investment adviser with the SEC. Federated acquired MDT Advisers in July 2006. MDT Advisers is responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund in accordance with the Fund's investment objectives and policies (subject to the general supervision of the Fund's Board). This includes designing, developing, periodically enhancing and implementing the quantitative model that drives investment decisions. Federated Advisory Services Company (FASC), an affiliate of the Adviser, provides security and market data and certain other support services to the Adviser. The fee for these services is paid by the Adviser and not by the Fund.

The address of the Adviser is 125 High Street, Oliver Tower, 21st Floor, Boston, MA 02110-2704. The address of FASC is Federated Investors Tower, 1001 Liberty Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15222-3779.

The Adviser and other subsidiaries of Federated advise approximately 108 equity, fixed-income and money market mutual funds as well as a variety of other pooled investment vehicles, private investment companies and customized separately managed accounts (including non-U.S./offshore funds) which totaled approximately \$397.6 billion in assets as of December 31, 2017. Federated was established in 1955 and is one of the largest investment managers in the United States with approximately 1,400 employees. Federated provides investment products to approximately 8,500 investment professionals and institutions.

The Adviser advises approximately eight equity mutual funds (including sub-advised funds) which totaled approximately \$2.8 billion in assets as of December 31, 2017. The Adviser also manages a variety of institutional separate accounts, separately managed accounts and pooled investment vehicles.

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT INFORMATION

The Fund is managed by using a proprietary, quantitative model that drives investment selection, which is supported and implemented by the MDT Advisers Investment Team ("Investment Team").

**Daniel J. Mahr, CFA**, joined the Investment Team in 2002.

As Managing Director, Research, Mr. Mahr is responsible for leading the Investment Team as it relates to the ongoing design, development and implementation of the investment model. Education: A.B., Harvard College; S.M., Harvard University.

**Frederick L. Konopka, CFA**, joined the Investment Team in 1997.

As Portfolio and Trading Manager, Mr. Konopka is responsible for the ongoing implementation of the investment model including trading impact evaluation and implementation. Education: A.B., Dartmouth College; M.S., MIT Sloan School of Management.

**John Paul Lewicke** joined the Investment Team in 2007.

As Research Manager, Mr. Lewicke is responsible for ongoing evaluation and enhancement of the investment model, including software code design and development. Education: A.B. Dartmouth College.

**Damien Zhang, CFA**, joined the Investment Team in 2009.

Mr. Zhang is a Research Manager and is responsible for ongoing evaluation and enhancement of the investment model, including software code design and development. Education: A.B., Princeton University.

The Fund's SAI provides additional information about the Portfolio Managers' compensation, management of other accounts and ownership of securities in the Fund.

#### ADVISORY FEES

The Fund's investment advisory contract provides for payment to the Adviser of an annual investment advisory fee of 0.75% of the Fund's average daily net assets. The Adviser may voluntarily waive a portion of its fee or reimburse the Fund for certain operating expenses. The Adviser and its affiliates have also agreed to certain "Fee Limits" as described in the footnote to the "Risk/Return Summary: Fees and Expenses" table found in the "Fund Summary" section of the Prospectus.

A discussion of the Board's review of the Fund's investment advisory contract is available in the Fund's annual and semi-annual shareholder reports for the periods ended October 31 and April 30, respectively.

#### PRIOR PERFORMANCE OF COMPOSITE OF ACCOUNTS SIMILARLY MANAGED BY ADVISER

The following performance information relates to the Federated MDT Mid Cap Growth Institutional Composite ("Composite"), which is a performance composite consisting of the Fund and other private accounts with similar investment objectives, strategies, policies and risks to those of the Fund that also are managed by the Fund's Adviser. *The following performance information is not the Fund's performance (or any predecessor fund's performance), should not be considered indicative of the past or future performance of the Fund, and should not be considered a substitute for the Fund's performance.* Information regarding the Fund's performance is shown under the section of the Fund's prospectus entitled "Performance: Bar Chart and Table" on page 3.

The following performance information relating to the Composite is being provided because Federated MDTA LLC, the adviser to the accounts included in the Composite, became the Fund's Adviser in January 2013, and the Fund's investment strategy was changed to be similar to the investment strategy of the private accounts included in the Composite.

As of December 31, 2017, the Composite consisted of the Fund and ten additional private accounts, totaling approximately \$782,412,881 million. The inception date of the Composite was August 1, 2000. At various times between the Composite's inception date and December 31, 2017, other funds and private accounts with similar investment objectives, strategies, policies and risks to those of the Fund also may have been included in the Composite. The following performance information is therefore intended to illustrate past performance for substantially similarly managed accounts by the Adviser. The Fund's total return will not normally equal (and may vary significantly from) the performance of the private accounts or the Composite itself. The following performance information for the Composite was prepared in accordance with industry best practices. The method for computing historical performance information for the Composite differs from the SEC's method for computing the historical performance of the Fund. The private accounts included in the Composite have different fees, expenses and cash flows than the Fund, which could negatively impact the performance of the Fund in relation to the private accounts. The actual fees and expenses of the Composite are lower than the anticipated operating expenses of the Fund (except for the IS class) and, accordingly, the performance results for the Composite generally are greater than the Fund's performance would have been for the same periods. The private accounts included in the Composite also are not registered under the 1940 Act and therefore are not subject to certain investment restrictions, diversification requirements and other limitations imposed on the Fund by the 1940 Act and Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code. If such private accounts had been or would be registered under the 1940 Act, the performance may have been or would be adversely affected.

(For the Period Ended December 31, 2017)

	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
<b>Federated MDT Mid Cap Growth Composite<sup>3</sup></b>			
Net Returns (after fees/expenses)	24.71%	15.94%	9.05%
Gross Returns	25.75%	16.99%	10.09%
<b>Russell Midcap Growth Index<sup>1</sup></b> (reflects no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)	25.27%	15.30%	9.10%
<b>Morningstar Separate Account Mid-Cap Growth Average<sup>2</sup></b>	24.07%	14.69%	9.15%

<sup>1</sup> The Russell Midcap Growth Index measures the performance of those Russell Midcap companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values. The stocks are also members of the Russell 1000 Growth Index. The index is unmanaged and, unlike the Fund, is not affected by cash flows.

<sup>2</sup> Morningstar figures represent the average of the total returns reported by all the mutual funds designated by Morningstar as falling into the respective category indicated. They do not reflect sales charges.

<sup>3</sup> The Composite's gross and net total returns for the nine-month period from January 1, 2018 to September 30, 2018, were 19.88% and 19.13%, respectively.

## Financial Information

### **FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

The Financial Highlights will help you understand the Fund's financial performance for its past five fiscal years. Some of the information is presented on a per Share basis. Total returns represent the rate an investor would have earned (or lost) on an investment in the Fund, assuming reinvestment of any dividends and capital gains.

This information has been audited by KPMG LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, whose report, along with the Fund's audited financial statements, is included in the Annual Report.

## Financial Highlights – Class A Shares

(For a Share Outstanding Throughout Each Period)

<b>Year Ended October 31</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>Net Asset Value, Beginning of Period</b>	<b>\$43.07</b>	<b>\$33.37</b>	<b>\$42.50</b>	<b>\$48.23</b>	<b>\$47.18</b>
<b>Income From Investment Operations:</b>					
Net investment income (loss) <sup>1</sup>	(0.14)	(0.04)	0.05	(0.03)	0.08
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	3.92	10.06	(0.77)	1.01	6.88
<b>TOTAL FROM INVESTMENT OPERATIONS</b>	<b>3.78</b>	<b>10.02</b>	<b>(0.72)</b>	<b>0.98</b>	<b>6.96</b>
<b>Less Distributions:</b>					
Distributions from net investment income	—	(0.02)	—	(0.07)	—
Distributions from net realized gain	(5.50)	(0.30)	(8.41)	(6.64)	(5.91)
<b>TOTAL DISTRIBUTIONS</b>	<b>(5.50)</b>	<b>(0.32)</b>	<b>(8.41)</b>	<b>(6.71)</b>	<b>(5.91)</b>
<b>Net Asset Value, End of Period</b>	<b>\$41.35</b>	<b>\$43.07</b>	<b>\$33.37</b>	<b>\$42.50</b>	<b>\$48.23</b>
<b>Total Return<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>9.43%</b>	<b>30.20%</b>	<b>(2.07)%</b>	<b>1.96%</b>	<b>16.50%</b>

### Ratios to Average Net Assets:

Net expenses	1.22%	1.22%	1.22%	1.22%	1.22%
Net investment income (loss)	(0.33)%	(0.10)%	0.16%	(0.08)%	0.17%
Expense waiver/reimbursement <sup>3</sup>	0.06%	0.10%	0.11%	0.07%	0.06%

### Supplemental Data:

Net assets, end of period (000 omitted)	\$238,586	\$236,955	\$206,210	\$246,414	\$269,537
Portfolio turnover	171%	109%	115%	122%	41%

1 Per share numbers have been calculated using the average shares method.

2 Based on net asset value, which does not reflect the sales charge, redemption fee or contingent deferred sales charge, if applicable.

3 This expense decrease is reflected in both the net expense and the net investment income (loss) ratios shown above.

Further information about the Fund's performance is contained in the Fund's Annual Report, dated October 31, 2018, which can be obtained free of charge.

## Financial Highlights – Class C Shares

(For a Share Outstanding Throughout Each Period)

<b>Year Ended October 31</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>Net Asset Value, Beginning of Period</b>	<b>\$32.11</b>	<b>\$25.12</b>	<b>\$34.27</b>	<b>\$40.36</b>	<b>\$40.68</b>
<b>Income From Investment Operations:</b>					
Net investment income (loss) <sup>1</sup>	(0.33)	(0.25)	(0.15)	(0.30)	(0.22)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	2.84	7.54	(0.59)	0.85	5.81
<b>TOTAL FROM INVESTMENT OPERATIONS</b>	<b>2.51</b>	<b>7.29</b>	<b>(0.74)</b>	<b>0.55</b>	<b>5.59</b>
<b>Less Distributions:</b>					
Distributions from net realized gain	(5.50)	(0.30)	(8.41)	(6.64)	(5.91)
<b>Net Asset Value, End of Period</b>	<b>\$29.12</b>	<b>\$32.11</b>	<b>\$25.12</b>	<b>\$34.27</b>	<b>\$40.36</b>
<b>Total Return<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>8.58%</b>	<b>29.25%</b>	<b>(2.78)%</b>	<b>1.18%</b>	<b>15.66%</b>

### Ratios to Average Net Assets:

Net expenses	1.97%	1.97%	1.97%	1.97%	1.97%
Net investment income (loss)	(1.09)%	(0.85)%	(0.60)%	(0.83)%	(0.58)%
Expense waiver/reimbursement <sup>3</sup>	0.08%	0.12%	0.13%	0.09%	0.10%

### Supplemental Data:

Net assets, end of period (000 omitted)	\$10,619	\$10,613	\$9,188	\$11,509	\$12,666
Portfolio turnover	171%	109%	115%	122%	41%

1 *Per share numbers have been calculated using the average shares method.*

2 *Based on net asset value, which does not reflect the sales charge, redemption fee or contingent deferred sales charge, if applicable.*

3 *This expense decrease is reflected in both the net expense and the net investment income (loss) ratios shown above.*

Further information about the Fund's performance is contained in the Fund's Annual Report, dated October 31, 2018, which can be obtained free of charge.



## Financial Highlights – Institutional Shares

(For a Share Outstanding Throughout Each Period)

<b>Year Ended October 31</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>Net Asset Value, Beginning of Period</b>	<b>\$44.01</b>	<b>\$34.09</b>	<b>\$43.14</b>	<b>\$48.88</b>	<b>\$47.63</b>
<b>Income From Investment Operations:</b>					
Net investment income (loss) <sup>1</sup>	(0.05)	0.07	0.14	0.08	0.20
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	4.02	10.25	(0.78)	1.01	6.96
<b>TOTAL FROM INVESTMENT OPERATIONS</b>	<b>3.97</b>	<b>10.32</b>	<b>(0.64)</b>	<b>1.09</b>	<b>7.16</b>
<b>Less Distributions:</b>					
Distributions from net investment income	—	(0.10)	—	(0.19)	—
Distributions from net realized gain	(5.50)	(0.30)	(8.41)	(6.64)	(5.91)
<b>TOTAL DISTRIBUTIONS</b>	<b>(5.50)</b>	<b>(0.40)</b>	<b>(8.41)</b>	<b>(6.83)</b>	<b>(5.91)</b>
<b>Net Asset Value, End of Period</b>	<b>\$42.48</b>	<b>\$44.01</b>	<b>\$34.09</b>	<b>\$43.14</b>	<b>\$48.88</b>
<b>Total Return<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>9.69%</b>	<b>30.52%</b>	<b>(1.81)%</b>	<b>2.19%</b>	<b>16.80%</b>

### Ratios to Average Net Assets:

Net expenses	0.95%	0.97%	0.97%	0.97%	0.97%
Net investment income (loss)	(0.12)%	0.19%	0.41%	0.19%	0.43%
Expense waiver/reimbursement <sup>3</sup>	0.07%	0.11%	0.07%	0.05%	0.07%

### Supplemental Data:

Net assets, end of period (000 omitted)	\$177,959	\$24,559	\$40,057	\$49,554	\$75,756
Portfolio turnover	171%	109%	115%	122%	41%

1 Per share numbers have been calculated using the average shares method.

2 Based on net asset value.

3 This expense decrease is reflected in both the net expense and the net investment income (loss) ratios shown above.

Further information about the Fund's performance is contained in the Fund's Annual Report, dated October 31, 2018, which can be obtained free of charge.

## Financial Highlights – Class R6 Shares

(For a Share Outstanding Throughout Each Period)

<b>Year Ended October 31</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>Net Asset Value, Beginning of Period</b>	<b>\$40.80</b>	<b>\$31.53</b>	<b>\$40.74</b>	<b>\$46.63</b>	<b>\$46.02</b>
<b>Income From Investment Operations:</b>					
Net investment income (loss) <sup>1</sup>	(0.03)	0.04	(0.07)	(0.23)	(0.17)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	3.68	9.53	(0.73)	0.98	6.69
<b>TOTAL FROM INVESTMENT OPERATIONS</b>	<b>3.65</b>	<b>9.57</b>	<b>(0.80)</b>	<b>0.75</b>	<b>6.52</b>
<b>Less Distributions:</b>					
Distributions from net realized gain	(5.50)	(0.30)	(8.41)	(6.64)	(5.91)
<b>Net Asset Value, End of Period</b>	<b>\$38.95</b>	<b>\$40.80</b>	<b>\$31.53</b>	<b>\$40.74</b>	<b>\$46.63</b>
<b>Total Return<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>9.67%</b>	<b>30.54%</b>	<b>(2.42)%</b>	<b>1.49%</b>	<b>15.89%</b>

### Ratios to Average Net Assets:

Net expenses	0.95%	0.96%	1.61%	1.69%	1.72%
Net investment income (loss)	(0.08)%	0.12%	(0.22)%	(0.55)%	(0.37)%
Expense waiver/reimbursement <sup>3</sup>	0.02%	0.04%	0.05%	0.01%	0.08%

### Supplemental Data:

Net assets, end of period (000 omitted)	\$6,576	\$37,815	\$1,529	\$1,831	\$2,150
Portfolio turnover	171%	109%	115%	122%	41%

1 *Per share numbers have been calculated using the average shares method.*

2 *Based on net asset value.*

3 *This expense decrease is reflected in both the net expense and the net investment income (loss) ratios shown above.*

Further information about the Fund's performance is contained in the Fund's Annual Report, dated October 31, 2018, which can be obtained free of charge.

## Appendix A: Hypothetical Investment and Expense Information

The following charts provide additional hypothetical information about the effect of the Fund's expenses, including investment advisory fees and other Fund costs, on the Fund's assumed returns over a 10-year period. Each chart shows the estimated expenses that would be incurred in respect of a hypothetical investment of \$10,000, assuming a 5% return each year, and no redemption of Shares. Each chart also assumes that the Fund's annual expense ratio stays the same throughout the 10-year period (except the B class, which converts to the A class after you have held them for eight years) and that all dividends and distributions are reinvested. The annual expense ratios used in each chart are the same as stated in the "Fees and Expenses" table of this Prospectus (and thus may not reflect any fee waiver or expense reimbursement currently in effect). The maximum amount of any sales charge that might be imposed on the *purchase* of Shares (and deducted from the hypothetical initial investment of \$10,000; the "Front-End Sales Charge") is reflected in the "Hypothetical Expenses" column. The hypothetical investment information does not reflect the effect of charges (if any) normally applicable to *redemptions* of Shares (e.g., deferred sales charges, redemption fees). Mutual fund returns, as well as fees and expenses, may fluctuate over time, and your actual investment returns and total expenses may be higher or lower than those shown below.

### FEDERATED MDT MID CAP GROWTH FUND - A CLASS

**ANNUAL EXPENSE RATIO: 1.29%**

**MAXIMUM FRONT-END SALES CHARGE: 5.50%**

Year	Hypothetical Beginning Investment	Hypothetical Performance Earnings	Investment After Returns	Hypothetical Expenses	Hypothetical Ending Investment
1	\$10,000.00	\$472.50	\$9,922.50	\$674.17	\$9,800.60
2	\$9,800.60	\$490.03	\$10,290.63	\$128.77	\$10,164.20
3	\$10,164.20	\$508.21	\$10,672.41	\$133.55	\$10,541.29
4	\$10,541.29	\$527.06	\$11,068.35	\$138.51	\$10,932.37
5	\$10,932.37	\$546.62	\$11,478.99	\$143.64	\$11,337.96
6	\$11,337.96	\$566.90	\$11,904.86	\$148.97	\$11,758.60
7	\$11,758.60	\$587.93	\$12,346.53	\$154.50	\$12,194.84
8	\$12,194.84	\$609.74	\$12,804.58	\$160.23	\$12,647.27
9	\$12,647.27	\$632.36	\$13,279.63	\$166.18	\$13,116.48
10	\$13,116.48	\$655.82	\$13,772.30	\$172.34	\$13,603.10
Cumulative		\$5,597.17		\$2,020.86	

### FEDERATED MDT MID CAP GROWTH FUND - C CLASS

**ANNUAL EXPENSE RATIO: 2.05%**

**MAXIMUM FRONT-END SALES CHARGE: NONE**

Year	Hypothetical Beginning Investment	Hypothetical Performance Earnings	Investment After Returns	Hypothetical Expenses	Hypothetical Ending Investment
1	\$10,000.00	\$500.00	\$10,500.00	\$208.02	\$10,295.00
2	\$10,295.00	\$514.75	\$10,809.75	\$214.16	\$10,598.70
3	\$10,598.70	\$529.94	\$11,128.64	\$220.48	\$10,911.36
4	\$10,911.36	\$545.57	\$11,456.93	\$226.98	\$11,233.25
5	\$11,233.25	\$561.66	\$11,794.91	\$233.68	\$11,564.63
6	\$11,564.63	\$578.23	\$12,142.86	\$240.57	\$11,905.79
7	\$11,905.79	\$595.29	\$12,501.08	\$247.67	\$12,257.01
8	\$12,257.01	\$612.85	\$12,869.86	\$254.97	\$12,618.59
9	\$12,618.59	\$630.93	\$13,249.52	\$262.50	\$12,990.84
10	\$12,990.84	\$649.54	\$13,640.38	\$270.24	\$13,374.07
Cumulative		\$5,718.76		\$2,379.27	

**FEDERATED MDT MID CAP GROWTH FUND - IS CLASS****ANNUAL EXPENSE RATIO: 1.02%****MAXIMUM FRONT-END SALES CHARGE: NONE**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Hypothetical Beginning Investment</b>	<b>Hypothetical Performance Earnings</b>	<b>Investment After Returns</b>	<b>Hypothetical Expenses</b>	<b>Hypothetical Ending Investment</b>
1	\$10,000.00	\$500.00	\$10,500.00	\$104.03	\$10,398.00
2	\$10,398.00	\$519.90	\$10,917.90	\$108.17	\$10,811.84
3	\$10,811.84	\$540.59	\$11,352.43	\$112.48	\$11,242.15
4	\$11,242.15	\$562.11	\$11,804.26	\$116.95	\$11,689.59
5	\$11,689.59	\$584.48	\$12,274.07	\$121.61	\$12,154.84
6	\$12,154.84	\$607.74	\$12,762.58	\$126.45	\$12,638.60
7	\$12,638.60	\$631.93	\$13,270.53	\$131.48	\$13,141.62
8	\$13,141.62	\$657.08	\$13,798.70	\$136.71	\$13,664.66
9	\$13,664.66	\$683.23	\$14,347.89	\$142.15	\$14,208.51
10	\$14,208.51	\$710.43	\$14,918.94	\$147.81	\$14,774.01
Cumulative		\$5,997.49		\$1,247.84	

**FEDERATED MDT MID CAP GROWTH FUND - R6 CLASS****ANNUAL EXPENSE RATIO: 0.97%****MAXIMUM FRONT-END SALES CHARGE: NONE**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Hypothetical Beginning Investment</b>	<b>Hypothetical Performance Earnings</b>	<b>Investment After Returns</b>	<b>Hypothetical Expenses</b>	<b>Hypothetical Ending Investment</b>
1	\$10,000.00	\$500.00	\$10,500.00	\$98.95	\$10,403.00
2	\$10,403.00	\$520.15	\$10,923.15	\$102.94	\$10,822.24
3	\$10,822.24	\$541.11	\$11,363.35	\$107.09	\$11,258.38
4	\$11,258.38	\$562.92	\$11,821.30	\$111.41	\$11,712.09
5	\$11,712.09	\$585.60	\$12,297.69	\$115.90	\$12,184.09
6	\$12,184.09	\$609.20	\$12,793.29	\$120.57	\$12,675.11
7	\$12,675.11	\$633.76	\$13,308.87	\$125.43	\$13,185.92
8	\$13,185.92	\$659.30	\$13,845.22	\$130.48	\$13,717.31
9	\$13,717.31	\$685.87	\$14,403.18	\$135.74	\$14,270.12
10	\$14,270.12	\$713.51	\$14,983.63	\$141.21	\$14,845.21
Cumulative		\$6,011.42		\$1,189.72	

## Appendix B: Sales Charge Waivers and Exchange Features for Shareholders Purchasing Through Certain Financial Intermediaries

The term “fund family,” used herein, shall refer to the Federated mutual funds.

### AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL

#### CLASS A SHARES FRONT-END SALES CHARGE WAIVERS AVAILABLE AT AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL:

The following information applies to Class A shares purchases if you have an account with or otherwise purchase Fund shares through Ameriprise Financial:

Effective April 30, 2018, shareholders purchasing Fund shares through an Ameriprise Financial platform or account will be eligible for the following front-end sales charge waivers and discounts, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this Fund’s prospectus:

- Employer-sponsored retirement plans (e.g., 401(k) plans, 457 plans, employer-sponsored 403(b) plans, profit sharing and money purchase pension plans and defined benefit plans). For purposes of this provision, employer-sponsored retirement plans do not include SEP IRAs, Simple IRAs or SAR-SEPs.
- Shares purchased through an Ameriprise Financial investment advisory program (if an Advisory or similar share class for such investment advisory program is not available).
- Shares purchased by third party investment advisors on behalf of their advisory clients through Ameriprise Financial’s platform (if an Advisory or similar share class for such investment advisory program is not available).
- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same Fund (but not any other fund within the same fund family).
- Shares exchanged from Class C shares of the same fund in the month of or following the 10-year anniversary of the purchase date. To the extent that this prospectus elsewhere provides for a waiver with respect to such shares following a shorter holding period, that waiver will apply to exchanges following such shorter period. To the extent that this prospectus elsewhere provides for a waiver with respect to exchanges of Class C shares for load waived shares, that waiver will also apply to such exchanges.
- Employees and registered representatives of Ameriprise Financial or its affiliates and their immediate family members.
- Shares purchased by or through qualified accounts (including IRAs, Coverdell Education Savings Accounts, 401(k)s, 403(b) TSCAs subject to ERISA and defined benefit plans) that are held by a covered family member, defined as an Ameriprise financial advisor and/or the advisor’s spouse, advisor’s lineal ascendant (mother, father, grandmother, grandfather, great grandmother, great grandfather), advisor’s lineal descendant (son, step-son, daughter, step-daughter, grandson, granddaughter, great grandson, great granddaughter) or any spouse of a covered family member who is a lineal descendant.
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided: (1) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption; (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account; and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales load (i.e., Rights of Reinstatement).

#### EXCHANGE FEATURE OF CLASS C SHARES AVAILABLE AT AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL:

**Automatic Exchange of Class C shares.** Class C shares will automatically exchange to Class A shares in the month of the 10-year anniversary of the purchase date.

### MERRILL LYNCH

Effective April 10, 2017, shareholders purchasing Fund shares through a Merrill Lynch platform or account will be eligible only for the following front-end sales charge waivers and shareholders redeeming Fund shares through a Merrill Lynch platform or account (regardless of purchase date) will be eligible only for the following contingent deferred, or back-end, sales charge (CDSC) waivers and discounts, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this Fund’s prospectus.

#### Front-End Sales Load Waivers on Class A Shares Available at Merrill Lynch

- Employer-sponsored retirement, deferred compensation and employee benefit plans (including health savings accounts) and trusts used to fund those plans, provided that the shares are not held in a commission-based brokerage account and shares are held for the benefit of the plan;
- Shares purchased by or through a 529 Plan;
- Shares purchased through a Merrill Lynch affiliated investment advisory program;
- Shares purchased by third-party investment advisors on behalf of their advisory clients through Merrill Lynch’s platform;
- Shares of funds purchased through the Merrill Edge Self-Directed platform;

- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same fund (but not any other fund within the fund family);
- Shares exchanged from Class C shares of the same fund in the month of or following the 10-year anniversary of the purchase date;
- Employees and registered representatives of Merrill Lynch or its affiliates and their family members;
- Directors or Trustees of the Fund, and employees of the Fund's investment adviser or any of its affiliates, as described in this prospectus;
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided: (1) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption; (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account; and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales load (known as Rights of Reinstatement).

**CDSC Waivers on A, B and C Shares available at Merrill Lynch**

- Death or disability of the shareholder;
- Shares sold as part of a systematic withdrawal plan as described in the Fund's prospectus;
- Return of excess contributions from an IRA Account;
- Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and retirement accounts due to the shareholder reaching age 70½;
- Shares sold to pay Merrill Lynch fees but only if the transaction is initiated by Merrill Lynch;
- Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement;
- Shares held in retirement brokerage accounts, that are converted to a lower cost share class due to transfer to certain fee based accounts or platforms (applicable to A and C shares only). The CDSC applicable to the converted shares will be waived, and Merrill Lynch will remit to the Fund's Distributor a portion of the waived CDSC. Such portion shall be equal to the number of months remaining on the CDSC period divided by the total number of months of the CDSC period.

**Front-End Load Discounts Available at Merrill Lynch:  
Breakpoints, Rights of Accumulation and Letters of Intent**

- Breakpoints as described in this prospectus;
- Rights of Accumulation (ROA) which entitle shareholders to breakpoint discounts will be automatically calculated based on the aggregated holding of fund family assets held by accounts within the purchaser's household at Merrill Lynch. Eligible fund family assets not held at Merrill Lynch may be included in the ROA calculation only if the shareholder notifies his or her financial advisor about such assets;
- Letters of Intent (LOI) which allow for breakpoint discounts based on anticipated purchases within a fund family, through Merrill Lynch, over a 13-month period of time.

**MORGAN STANLEY SMITH BARNEY**

**CLASS A SHARES FRONT-END SALES CHARGE WAIVERS AVAILABLE AT MORGAN STANLEY SMITH BARNEY:**

Effective July 1, 2018, shareholders purchasing Fund shares through a Morgan Stanley Wealth Management transactional brokerage account will be eligible only for the following front-end sales charge waivers with respect to Class A shares, which may differ from and may be more limited than those disclosed elsewhere in this Fund's Prospectus or SAI.

**Front-End Sales Charge Waivers on Class A Shares Available at Morgan Stanley Wealth Management**

- Employer-sponsored retirement plans (e.g., 401(k) plans, 457 plans, employer-sponsored 403(b) plans, profit sharing and money purchase pension plans and defined benefit plans). For purposes of this provision, employer-sponsored retirement plans do not include SEP IRAs, Simple IRAs, SAR-SEPs or Keogh plans;
- Morgan Stanley employee and employee-related accounts according to Morgan Stanley's account linking rules;
- Shares purchased through reinvestment of dividends and capital gains distributions when purchasing shares of the same fund;
- Shares purchased through a Morgan Stanley self-directed brokerage account;
- Class C (i.e., level-load) shares that are no longer subject to a contingent deferred sales charge and are exchanged to Class A shares of the same fund pursuant to Morgan Stanley Wealth Management's intra-fund share class exchange program;
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided: (i) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption; (ii) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account; and (iii) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales charge.

**RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOCIATES, INC., RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES & RAYMOND JAMES AFFILIATES  
("RAYMOND JAMES")**

Effective March 1, 2019, shareholders purchasing and redeeming Fund shares through a Raymond James platform or account will be eligible only for the following load waivers (front-end sales charge waivers and contingent deferred, or back-end, sales charge waivers) and discounts, which may differ from those disclosed elsewhere in this Fund's prospectus or SAI.

**Front-End Sales Load Waivers on Class A Shares Available at Raymond James**

- Shares purchased through a Raymond James investment advisory program;
- Shares purchased through reinvestment of capital gains distributions and dividend reinvestment when purchasing shares of the same Fund (but not any other fund within the fund family);
- Employees and registered representatives of Raymond James or its affiliates and their family members as designated by Raymond James;
- Shares purchased from the proceeds of redemptions within the same fund family, provided: (1) the repurchase occurs within 90 days following the redemption; (2) the redemption and purchase occur in the same account; and (3) redeemed shares were subject to a front-end or deferred sales load (known as Rights of Reinstatement);
- A shareholder in the Fund's Class C shares will have their shares automatically exchanged at net asset value to Class A shares (or the appropriate share class) of the Fund if the shares are no longer subject to a CDSC and the automatic exchange is in line with the policies and procedures of Raymond James.

**CDSC Waivers on A, B and C Shares Available at Raymond James**

- Death or disability of the shareholder;
- Shares sold as part of a systematic withdrawal plan as described in the fund's prospectus;
- Return of excess contributions from an IRA Account;
- Shares sold as part of a required minimum distribution for IRA and retirement accounts due to the shareholder reaching age 70½ as described in the fund's prospectus;
- Shares sold to pay Raymond James fees but only if the transaction is initiated by Raymond James;
- Shares acquired through a right of reinstatement.

**Front-End Load Discounts Available at Raymond James: Breakpoints, and/or Rights of Accumulation**

- Breakpoints as described in this prospectus;
- Rights of accumulation which entitle shareholders to breakpoint discounts will be automatically calculated based on the aggregated holding of fund family assets held by accounts within the purchaser's household at Raymond James. Eligible fund family assets not held at Raymond James may be included in the rights of accumulation calculation only if the shareholder notifies his or her financial advisor about such assets.

An SAI dated December 31, 2018, is incorporated by reference into this Prospectus. Additional information about the Fund and its investments is contained in the Fund's SAI and Annual and Semi-Annual Reports to shareholders as they become available. The Annual Report's Management's Discussion of Fund Performance discusses market conditions and investment strategies that significantly affected the Fund's performance during its last fiscal year. The SAI contains a description of the Fund's policies and procedures with respect to the disclosure of its portfolio securities. To obtain the SAI, Annual Report, Semi-Annual Report and other information without charge, and to make inquiries, call your financial intermediary or the Fund at 1-800-341-7400.

These documents, as well as additional information about the Fund (including portfolio holdings, performance and distributions), are also available on Federated's website at [FederatedInvestors.com](http://FederatedInvestors.com).

You can obtain information about the Fund (including the SAI) by accessing Fund information from the EDGAR Database on the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). You can purchase copies of this information by contacting the SEC by email at [publicinfo@sec.gov](mailto:publicinfo@sec.gov).



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