





# Thrivent Balanced Income Plus Portfolio

Inception Date
Jun. 14, 1995

Ticker
QTBIPX

Total Portfolio Assets \$414.18 million Expense Ratio Gross: 0.65%

### **Portfolio Description**

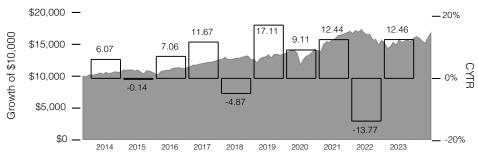
This portfolio provides a balanced approach to income and capital appreciation. The Portfolio is actively managed and invests in a combination of other funds managed by the Adviser and direct investments in equity and debt instruments. Approximately half of the portfolio is invested in equity securities to provide potential growth, while the other half of the portfolio is invested in higher-yielding, higher-risk, fixed income securities to generate income. Investments are diversified across sectors in order to manage risk, potentially provide more stability when interest rates rise, and to provide the opportunity for long-term capital growth and income.

### **Investment Strategy/Process**

The Portfolio has a long-term target allocation of 45% equity securities and 55% fixed income. The portfolio management team actively manages the Portfolio with overweight and underweight positions in the various sectors based on their views of the market and economy. Individual stocks and bonds are analyzed and selected on an ongoing basis. The Portfolio is regularly rebalanced to ensure that the holdings are within appropriate ranges.

### **Growth of \$10,000 and Calendar Year Performance (%)**

- ☐ Calendar Year Total Returns (CYTR) without charges, fees, or expenses
- Total Market Value (reflects reinvestment of all dividends and capital gains) \$16,786



#### Average Annualized Returns (%) Periods less than one year are not annualized

	3 Мо	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Since Incep
Balanced Income Plus	8.05	12.46	12.46	2.93	6.86	5.32	6.77
MSCI World Index - USD NR	11.42	23.79	23.79	7.27	12.80	8.60	N/A
Bloomberg MBS Index	7.48	5.05	5.05	-2.86	0.25	1.38	N/A
Bloomberg U.S. Hi Yld Ba/B 2% Issuer Capped Index	7.19	12.56	12.56	1.75	5.49	4.64	N/A
Morningstar LSTA Leveraged Loan Index	2.87	13.32	13.32	5.76	5.80	4.42	N/A
Morningstar Moderately Conservative Allocation Avg**	8.41	11.55	11.55	1.13	5.43	4.25	N/A

All data represents past performance. Past performance does not guarantee future results. The investment return and principal value of the investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than the original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. Call 800-847-4836 or visit <a href="https://doi.org/10.1001/jhtps://doi.org/1

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## **Investment Objective**

Thrivent Balanced Income Plus Portfolio seeks longterm total return through a balance between income and the potential for long-term capital growth.

### Benchmark(s)

Any indexes shown are unmanaged and do not reflect the typical costs of investing. Investors cannot invest directly in an index.

MSCI World Index - USD Net Returns represents largeand mid-cap stocks in 23 developed-market countries.

Bloomberg Mortgage-Backed Securities Index represents the performance of securities backed by pools of mortgages.

Bloomberg US High Yield Ba/B 2% Issuer Capped Index represents the performance of Ba or B-rated corporate bond market. Issuers are constrained to a maximum 2% weighting.

Morningstar LSTA US Leveraged Loan Index reflects performance of the largest facilities in the leveraged loan market.

### Portfolio Management & Experience

Stephen Lowe, CFA—Industry: 1996, Portfolio: 2013; David Spangler, CFA—Industry: 1989, Portfolio: 2019; Theron Whitehorn, CFA—Industry: 2002, Portfolio: 2021

Risks: The Portfolio's value is influenced by a number of factors, including the performance of the broader market, the effectiveness of the Adviser's allocation strategy, and risks specific to the Portfolio's asset classes, market cap groups, investment styles, and issuers. Debt securities are subject to risks such as declining prices during periods of rising interest rates and credit risk, or the risk that an issuer may not pay its debt. The Adviser is also subject to actual or potential conflicts of interest. The use of derivatives (such as futures) involves additional risks and transaction costs. Foreign investments involve additional risks, such as currency fluctuations and political, economic and market instability, which may be magnified for investments in emerging markets. High yield securities are subject to increased credit risk as well as liquidity risk. The Adviser's assessment of investments may prove incorrect, resulting in losses or poor performance. Leveraged loans, sovereign debt, and mortgage-related and other asset-backed securities are subject to additional risks. The London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) is being phased out, which brings uncertainty to instruments tied to it. When bond inventories are low in relation to the market size, there is the potential for decreased liquidity and increased price volatility. Securities markets generally tend to move in cycles with periods when security prices rise and periods when security prices decline. The Portfolio invests in other funds; therefore, the Portfolio is dependent upon the performance of the other funds and is subject to the risks, additional fees and expenses of the other funds. The Portfolio may engage in active and frequent trading of fund securities, which may result in higher transaction costs and higher taxes. When interest rates fall, certain obligations will be paid off more quickly and proceeds may have to be invested in securities with lower yields. The use of quantitative investing techniques also involves risk. These and other risks are described in the prospectus.

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## **Variable Portfolios**

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#### **Diversification**



Large Cap Equity	18.70%
Mid Cap Equity	8.19%
Small Cap Equity	1.99%
International Equity	8.77%
High Yield Bonds	7.57%
Investment-Grade Corporates	8.78%
Securitized Debt	22.80%
U.S. Government Bonds	5.79%
International Government Bonds	4.28%
Flexible Income	4.80%

Top 10 Holdings—excluding derivatives and cash (18.93% of Portfolio, as of Nov 30 2023) The coupon rate is the yield paid by a fixed-income security. The maturity date is when the principal of the security is due and payable to the investor.

Security	% of Portfolio	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date
Thrivent Core Int'l Eq Fd	7.12%	N/A	N/A
Thrivent Core EMD Fd	4.90%	N/A	N/A
Microsoft Corp	1.43%	N/A	N/A
U.S. Treasury Bds	0.93%	3.38	08/42
FNMA 30-Yr Pass-Thru	0.82%	4.50	12/52
Apple, Inc.	0.79%	N/A	N/A
U.S. Treasury Notes	0.76%	4.13	07/28
Amazon.com, Inc.	0.74%	N/A	N/A
Alphabet, Inc., Class C	0.73%	N/A	N/A
FHLMC 30-Yr. Pass-Thru	0.71%	3.50	06/52

## Credit Quality Rating Distribution

Cash

The lower of bond ratings assigned by Moody's Investor Services, Inc. or Standard & Poor's Financial Services, LLC ("S&P"). Investments in derivatives/short-term investments not included.

8.30%

Category	Percentage
High Quality (HQ)	67.25%
Cash	5.95%
U.S. Gov't Guaranteed	36.46%
AAA	0.54%
AA	2.38%
А	7.67%
BBB	14.25%

Percentage
18.70%
8.63%
7.93%
1.71%
0.21%
0.03%
0.19%
14.06%
11.09%
2.97%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup>Turnover Ratio: 12-month rolling as of Nov 30 2023. A measure of a Portfolio's trading activity calculated by dividing the lesser of long-term purchases/sales by average long-term market value. <sup>¶</sup>Bloomberg Index Services Limited. BLOOMBERG<sup>®</sup> is a trademark and service mark of Bloomberg Finance L.P. and its affiliates (collectively "Bloomberg").

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Due to rounding, some numbers may not equal stated totals.

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## **Portfolio Statistics**

Statistics shown below are compared to S&P 500® Index (represents average performance of 500 large-cap stocks) and Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index (measures performance of U.S. investment-grade bonds). These indexes are intended to provide a broad comparison to U.S. large-cap stock and bond markets, respectively; may not be representative of the Portfolio's investment strategies and holdings.

### **Holdings Information**

Number of Holdings	1,759
Turnover Ratio (last 12-months) <sup>†</sup>	77%
Percent U.S.	83.67%
Percent Non-U.S.	16.33%

## **Risk/Volatility Measures**

Beta (3-year vs. S&P 500® Index): A measure of the volatility, or market risk, of an investment compared to the broad U.S. large-cap stock market.

Lower	S&P 500 1.0	Higher
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Fund 0.56

**Standard Deviation:** Measures risk by showing how much a portfolio fluctuates relative to its average return over a period of time.

	Portfolio	S&P 500 <sup>®</sup> Index <sup>§§</sup>	BBg U.S. Agg Bd <sup>¶¶</sup>
3 Year	10.31	17.54	7.04
5 Year	12.06	18.52	6.10
10 Year	9.55	15.19	4.73

Equity Characteristics 37.80% of Portfolio

Market Capitalization is a measure of the size of the companies held in the portfolio, calculated by multiplying a company's total outstanding shares by the stock price.

	Portfolio	S&P 500 <sup>ess</sup>
Median Mkt Cap	\$4.88 B	\$33.18 B
Weighted Avg Mkt Cap	\$359.99 B	\$721.66 B

Price to Earnings (P/E) Ratio: A valuation ratio of a company's current share price compared to its earnings per-share, calculated by dividing the market value per share by its trailing 12-month earnings.

	Portfolio	S&P 500 <sup>®§§</sup>
P/E Ratio	17.6	24.0

**Return on Equity (ROE):** A measure of corporate profitability that shows how much net income the companies in the portfolio have generated as a percentage of shareholder equity.

	Portfolio	S&P 500 <sup>®§§</sup>
ROE	16.5%	23.6%

**Fixed-Income Characteristics** 62.20% of Portfolio **Effective Duration:** A measure of a portfolio's sensitivity to changes in interest rates; the longer the portfolio's duration, the more sensitive it is.

	Portfolio	BBg U.S. Agg Bd <sup>¶¶</sup>
Effective Duration (years)	5.8	6.2

Weighted Average Life: The market-value weighted average of the time remaining until the bonds in the portfolio will repay principal.

	Portfolio	BBg U.S. Agg Bd <sup>¶¶</sup>
Wtd Avg Life (years)	7.4	8.8