



Pension Officers Forum—Africa, October 2022



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## Investment Topics



Forum des responsables des pensions - Afrique, octobre 2022



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## Sujets d'investissement



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# Deposit Accounts



Each Central Conference pension plan  
has a deposit account here at Wespath.

# Comptes de dépôt



Chaque régime de retraite des  
Conférences centrales a un compte de  
dépôt ici à Wespath.

# Deposit Accounts

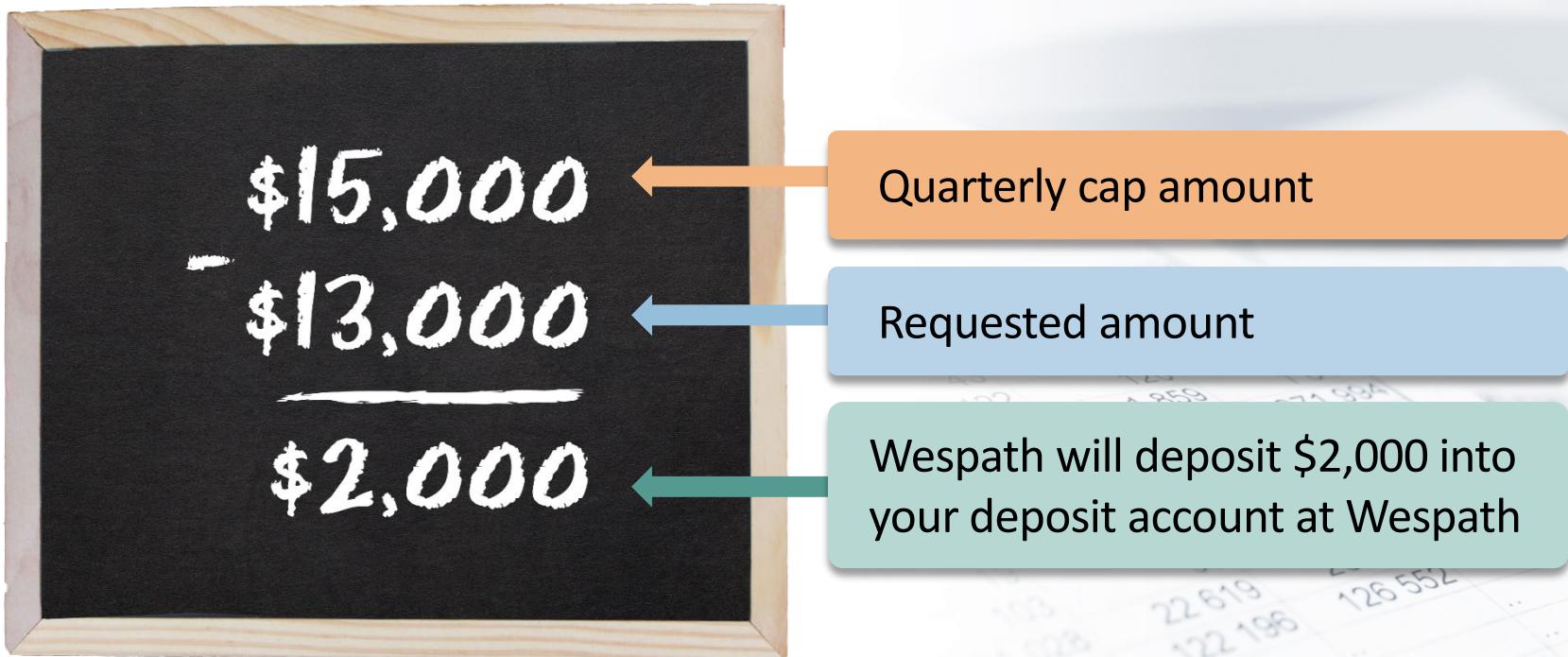
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- The deposit accounts were set up to help with investing the pension plan
- The accounts can be funded in three ways:
  1. Difference between quarterly cap amount and the requested amount, based on the quarterly list
  2. Reduce the requested amount by the amount of contributions collected by the plan
  3. The plan can send an incoming wire to Wespath

# Comptes de dépôt

- Les comptes de dépôt ont été mis en place pour aider à l'investissement du régime de retraite
- Les comptes peuvent être alimentés de trois manières :
  1. Différence entre le montant du plafond trimestriel et le montant demandé, sur la base de la liste trimestrielle
  2. Réduire le montant demandé par le montant des cotisations perçues par le régime
  3. Le régime peut envoyer un virement entrant à Wespath.

# Funding Option No. 1—Example



# Option de financement n° 1-Exemple

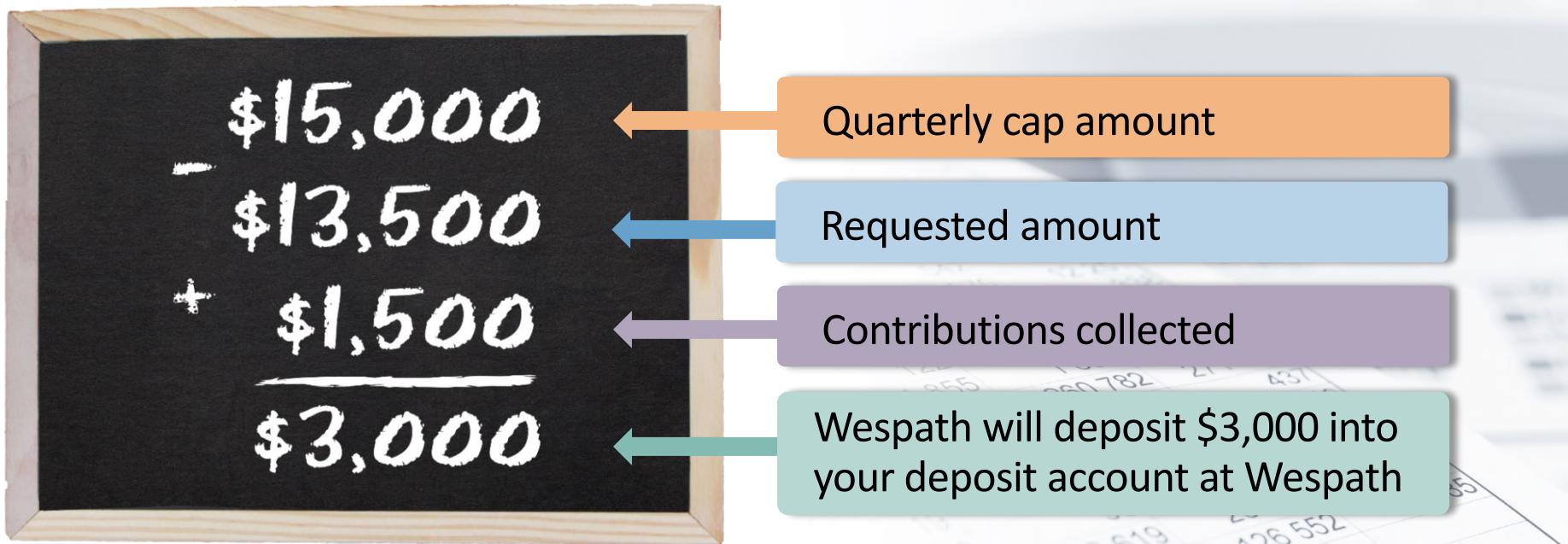


Montant plafond trimestriel

Montant demandé

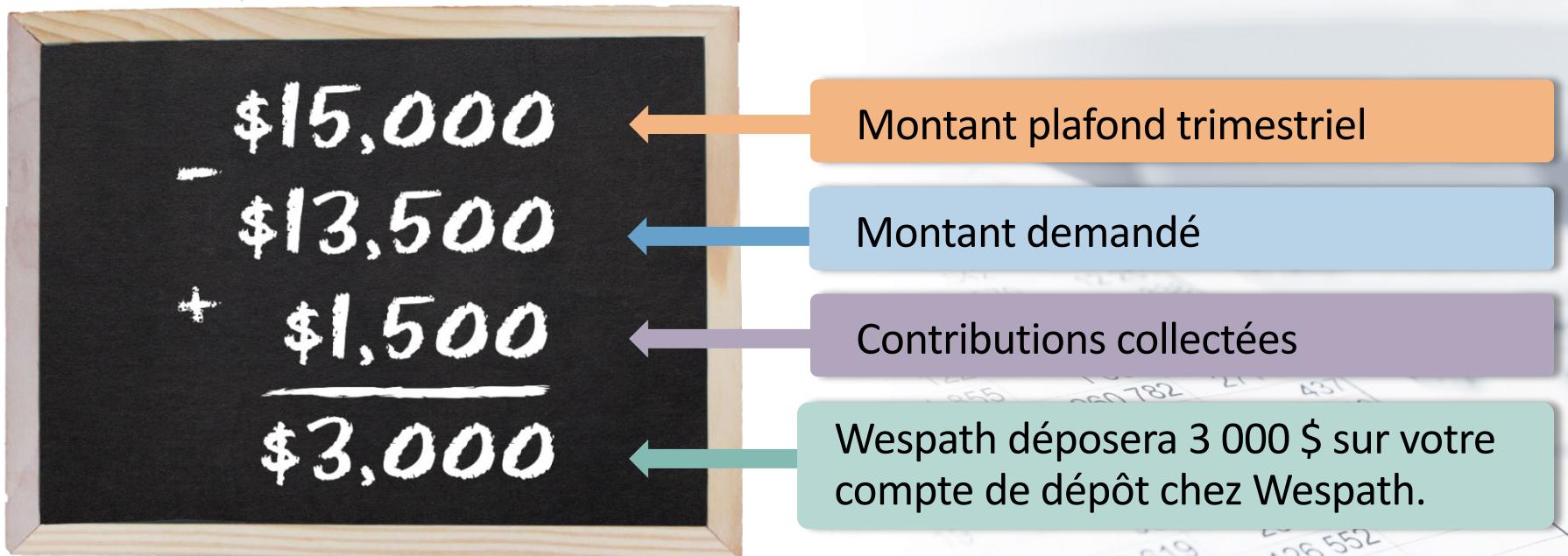
Wespath déposera 2 000 \$ sur votre compte de dépôt chez Wespath.

# Funding Option No. 2—Example



**Wespath will send \$12,000**

# Option de financement n°2-Exemple



**Wespath enverra 12 000 \$**

# Funding Option No. 3



The plan can send a wire directly to Wespath

# Option de financement n° 3



Le régime peut envoyer un virement directement à Wespath.

# Investment Fund(s)

- Most of the Central Conference plans are invested in the Multiple Asset Fund (MAF)
- MAF includes a broad mix of investments and seeks to:
  - maximize long-term investment returns
  - reduce short-term risk

The screenshot shows the Wespath website's fund overview page for the MAF. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for Retirement & Investments, Health & Well-Being, Plan Sponsor Services, and About Wespath. A search bar and a 'LOG IN' button are also present. Below the navigation is a banner featuring a candlestick chart and the text 'MAF Multiple Asset Fund'. The main content area is titled 'Fund Overview: Objective, Strategy and Holdings'. It includes a 'Fund Snapshot' box with details like Inception (May 1, 2002), Exp. Ratio (0.59% for 2021), Benchmark (MAF Benchmark), and Fund Assets (\$7,366 Million as of March 31, 2022). The page also lists the fund's objective, strategy, and prohibited investments.

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Retirement & Investments > Health & Well-Being > Plan Sponsor Services > About Wespath >

**MAF**  
Multiple Asset Fund

Overview Performance Allocations Risk & Disclosure Select A Fund

Fund Overview: Objective, Strategy and Holdings

**Fund Snapshot**

Inception	May 1, 2002
Exp. Ratio	0.59% for 2021
Benchmark	MAF Benchmark
Fund Assets	\$7,366 Million as of March 31, 2022

The Multiple Asset Fund seeks to maximize long-term investment returns, including current income and capital appreciation, while reducing short-term risk by investing in a broad mix of investments.  
Holds a pre-specified allocation of units of the following Wespath funds: Fixed Income Fund (FIF), Inflation Protection Fund (IPF), International Equity Fund (IEF) and U.S. Equity Fund (USEF).  
The Fund generally does not invest in companies that derive more than 10% of their revenue from gambling or from the manufacture, sale or distribution of alcoholic beverages, tobacco-related products, adult entertainment, weapons, or the management or operation of prison facilities.

# Fonds d'investissement

- La plupart des régimes des Conférences centrales sont investis dans le Multiple Asset Fund (MAF).
- Le MAF comprend un large éventail de placements et vise à :
  - maximiser le rendement des investissements à long terme
  - réduire les risques à court terme

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**MAF**  
Multiple Asset Fund

Overview Performance Allocations Risk & Disclosure

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# Reading Your Account Statement

 Wespath  
United Methodist Retirement Fund

Transaction History

Account Name [REDACTED] ← Account Number [REDACTED] ←

From Date 01/01/2022 ↔ To Date 04/18/2022

Selected Funds All Funds

**Summary**

	MarketValue	Units
Beginning Balance	\$27,880.20	615.6595
Credit		
Deposit	\$10,577.00	253.6545
Realized Gain/Loss		
\$0.00		
Change in Unrealized Gain/Loss	(-\$2,463.86)	
Ending Balance	<b>\$35,993.34</b>	<b>869.3140</b>

\*Change in Unrealized Gain/Loss\* is for the dates specified above.

For the reporting period

Income Earned - Gross <sup>1</sup>	\$190.54
Fund Operating Expenses <sup>2,3</sup>	(\$41.86)
Income Earned - Net	\$148.68

<sup>1</sup> Income Earned - Gross is a component of Realized and Unrealized Gain/Loss and consists of the following income categories: interest, dividends, private partnership income, securities lending income, and other income, net of transaction expenses and carried interest and other performance fees.  
<sup>2</sup> These expenses are also reflected in Realized and Unrealized Gain/Loss and are your pro rata portion of each of your fund's subadviser fees and your fund's pro rata portion of expenses incurred by Wespath and its subsidiaries to provide investment, administrative and operating support for P Series funds and for non-fund related activities and operations. For more information see the Investment Funds Description - P Series.

↓ Detail

Trade Date	Activity	Funds	Unit Price	Units	Amount
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04/01/2022	Deposit	MAF	\$42.6825	45.8033	\$1,955.00

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# Lire votre relevé de compte

 Wespath  
Retirement Investments

Transaction History

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From Date 01/01/2022 ↔ To Date 04/18/2022

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# About Wespath

**Wespath**

An agency of  
The United Methodist Church



Founded in  
1908



One of the largest reporting  
faith-based pension funds



Sustainable  
investment leader



Over \$24 billion in assets  
under management\*

\*Assets under management of Wespath  
and its subsidiaries, as of June 30, 2022.

# À propos de Wespath

**Wespath**

Une agence de  
l'Église Méthodiste Unie



Fondée en  
1908



L'un des plus grands fonds de  
pension confessionnels



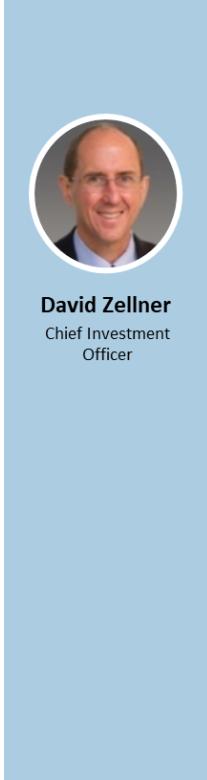
Chef des investissements  
durables



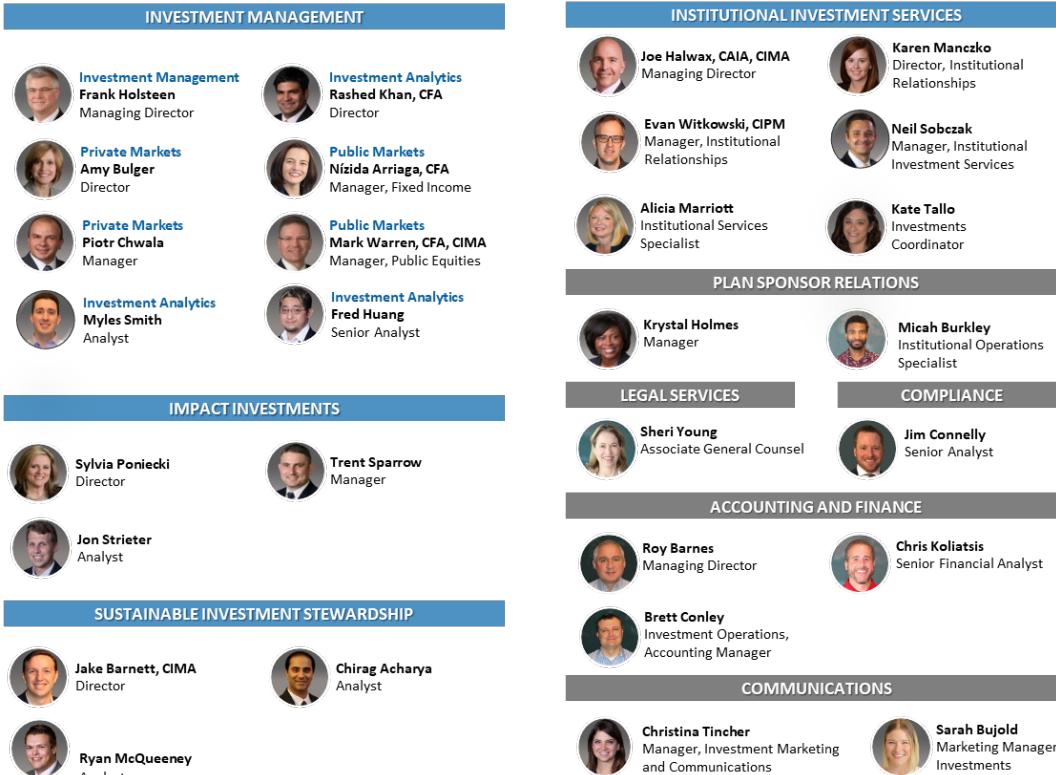
Plus de 24 milliards de dollars  
d'actifs sous gestion\*

\*Actifs sous gestion de Wespath et de ses filiales, au 30 juin 2022.

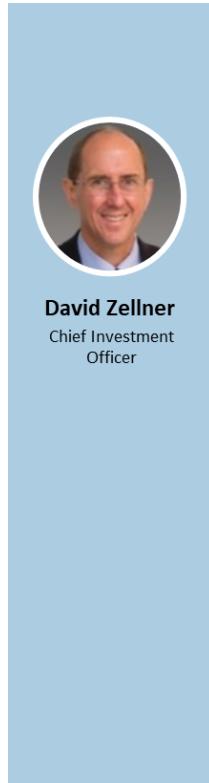
# Investment Team (and Support Staff) Organizational Chart



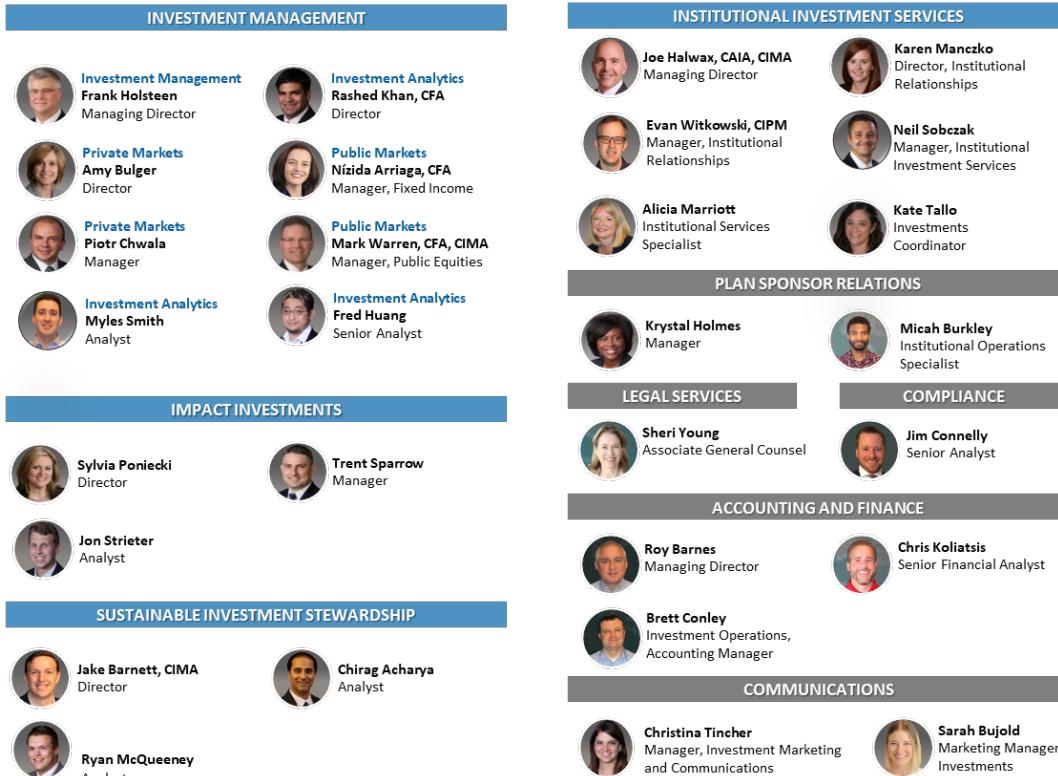
**David Zellner**  
Chief Investment  
Officer



# Organigramme de l'équipe d'investissement (et du personnel de soutien)



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Chief Investment  
Officer



# Our Investment Commitment to You



# Notre engagement d'investissement envers vous



## Mission

Nous soutenons votre mission et la mission continue de l'UMC.

## Impact

Nous cherchons à élaborer notre programme d'investissement en pensant à l'avenir.

## Performance

Notre approche disciplinée de l'investissement nous a permis d'obtenir des performances compétitives à long terme.



# Investing With Us



Investir avec nous

# WII's Fundamentals of Investing



# Les principes fondamentaux de l'investissement du WII



Personnes



Philosophie



Processus



Performance

# Investment Beliefs Guide Our Philosophy



Investor focus



Optimistic worldview



Sustainability



Low-carbon transition



Long-term perspective

## Megatrends:



Demographic shifts



Shift in economic power



Accelerating urbanization



Climate change and resource scarcity



Technology advancement



Diversification



Stewardship



Culture



Expertise



Active management

# Les convictions en matière d'investissement guident notre philosophie



Mettre l'accent sur  
l'investisseur



Vision optimiste du monde



Durabilité



Transition vers une économie  
à faible émission de carbone



Perspective à long terme

## Mégatendances :



Démographiques



Changement du  
pouvoir  
économique



Urbanisation  
accélérée



Changement  
climatique et  
raréfaction des  
ressources



Progrès  
technologique



Diversification



Intendance



Culture



Expertise



Gestion active

# ESG Integration Incorporated Throughout



## Fund Construction

- Innovative low-carbon solutions
- Affordable housing and community development
- Women and/or minority-owned asset managers



## Manager Research

- Proprietary ESG appraisal process
- Investment manager rankings



## Engagement Activities

- Corporate engagement
- Proxy voting
- Public policy engagement



## Industry Leadership

- Co-author and signatory to the UNPRI
- Co-lead of Engagement and Communications tracks of Net-Zero Asset Owner Alliance
- Board Member of ICCR
- UNPRI Stewardship Advisory Committee
- SASB Standards Investor Advisory Group
- Co-Lead of four focus companies within Climate Action 100+
- PRI Leaders Group (2019)

# Intégration de l'ESG incorporée tout au long



## Fonds de construction

- Des solutions innovantes à faible émission de carbone
- Logement abordable et développement communautaire
- Gestionnaires d'actifs appartenant à des femmes et/ou à des minorités



## Recherche de gestionnaires

- Processus propriétaire d'évaluation ESG
- Classement des gestionnaires d'investissement



## Activités d'engagement

- Engagement des entreprises
- Vote par procuration
- Engagement en matière de politique publique



## Leadership de l'industrie

- Co-auteur et signataire de l'UNPRI
- Co-responsable des pistes d'engagement et de communication de Alliance des propriétaires d'actifs nets zéro
- Membre du conseil d'administration de l'ICCR
- Comité consultatif sur l'intendance de l'UNPRI
- Groupe consultatif des investisseurs pour les normes SASB
- Co-leader de quatre entreprises cibles au sein de Climate Action 100+
- Groupe des leaders du PRI (2019)

# Search and Selection—Uncovering the Best Managers

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# Recherche et sélection : découvrir les meilleurs gestionnaires



# Our Investment Managers Are Aligned With Your Values

## Industry Leaders

J.P. Morgan



PIMCO



## Low-Carbon Solutions

\$2.6 billion  
invested in low-carbon  
solutions

**BLACKROCK**

**IMPAX** Asset Management

WELLINGTON  
MANAGEMENT®

## Women- and/or Minority-Owned

\$1.4 billion  
invested with women  
and/or minority-owned  
asset managers



BrownCapital  
— MOUNTAINS —  
SPRUCEGROVE  
INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

ZVNBRGN®  
zevenbergen capital investments

As of June 30, 2022. Includes the assets under management that Wespath and its subsidiaries, including Wespath Institutional Investments, manage on behalf of participants and United Methodist-related institutional investors.

# Nos gestionnaires d'investissement s'alignent sur vos valeurs

## Leaders de l'industrie

J.P. Morgan



PIMCO



## Solutions à faible émission de carbone

**2,6 milliards de dollars**  
investis dans des solutions à faible émission de carbone

**BLACKROCK**

**IMPAX Asset Management**

**WELLINGTON MANAGEMENT®**

## Femmes et/ou Minorités

**1,4 milliard de dollars**  
investis auprès de gestionnaires d'actifs appartenant à des femmes et/ou à des minorités

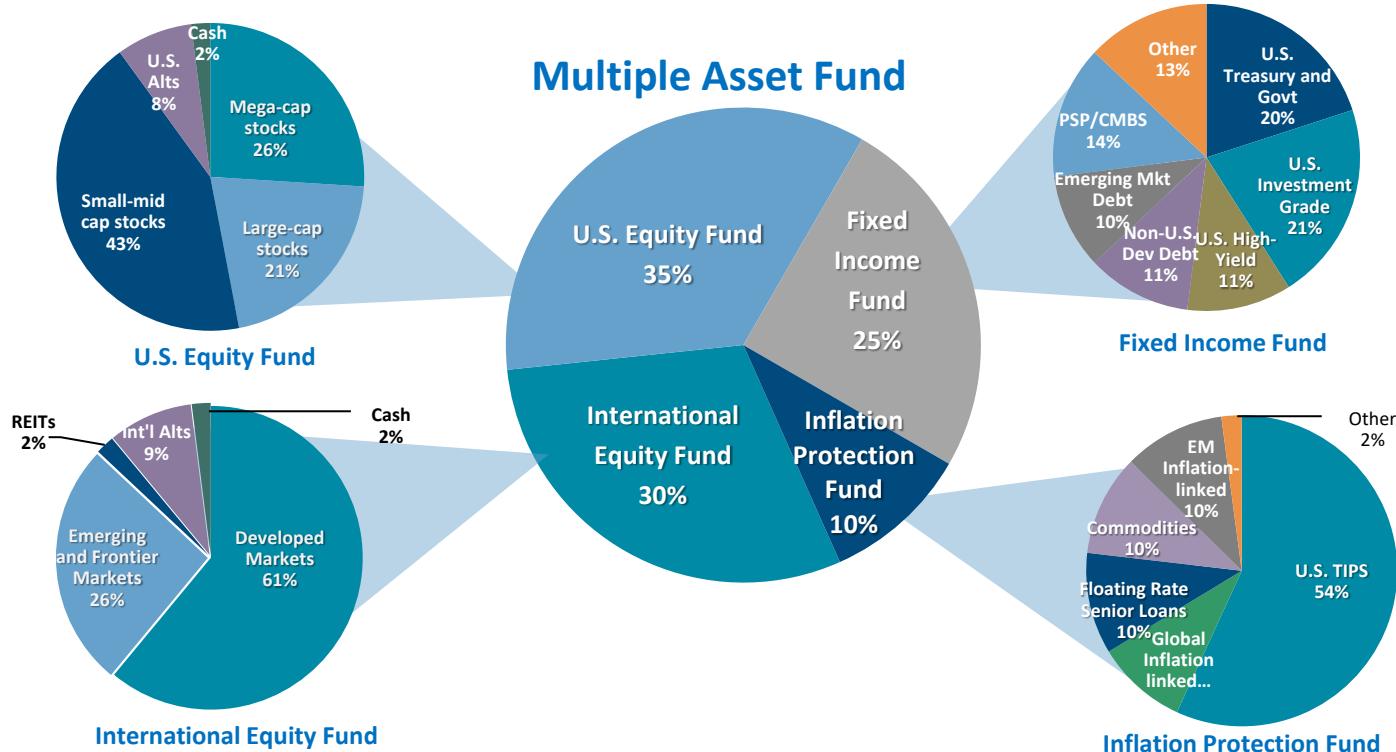


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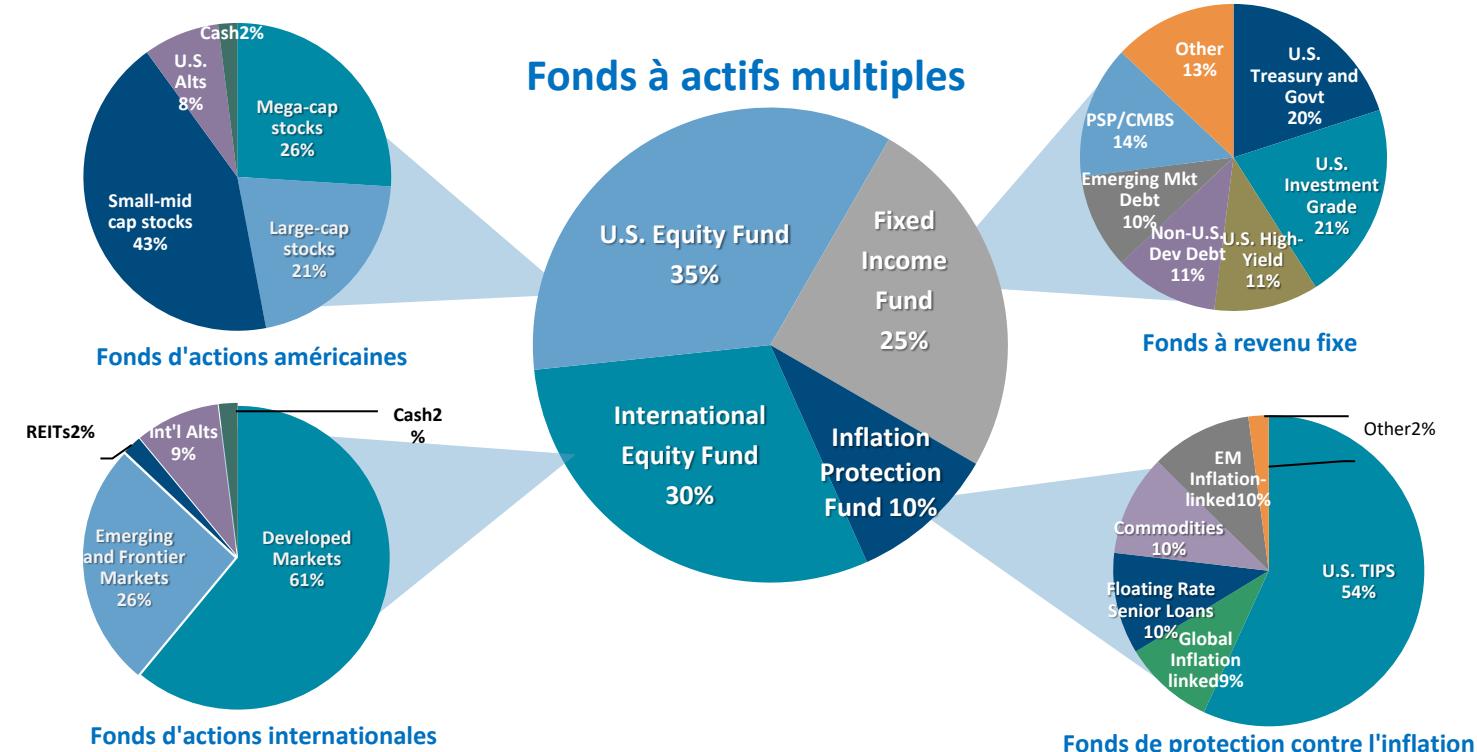
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# Flagship Balanced Portfolio—Multiple Asset Fund



As of June 30, 2022. Future asset allocations may be different than those stated above.

# Portefeuille équilibré Flagship - Fonds à actifs multiples



En date du 30 juin 2022. La répartition future des actifs peut être différente de celle indiquée ci-dessus.

# Fund Performance (Net-of-Fees) as of August 31, 2022

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Fund Name	Annualized						
	MTD	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception
Multiple Asset Fund	-3.08%	-15.86%	-16.24%	5.14%	5.35%	6.89%	6.80%
MAF Benchmark	-3.15%	-15.11%	-14.26%	5.05%	5.19%	6.94%	6.53%
US Equity Fund	-3.37%	-17.35%	-15.18%	11.15%	10.83%	12.17%	7.60%
USEF Benchmark	-3.73%	-16.92%	-13.28%	11.90%	11.29%	12.77%	7.91%
International Equity Fund	-4.24%	-22.58%	-25.84%	3.03%	2.29%	5.07%	5.75%
IEF Benchmark	-3.13%	-18.67%	-19.96%	3.18%	1.74%	4.70%	4.63%
Fixed Income Fund	-2.15%	-11.51%	-12.51%	-1.59%	0.76%	1.92%	4.67%
FIF Benchmark	-2.34%	-11.66%	-12.48%	-1.78%	0.80%	1.82%	4.34%
Inflation Protection Fund	-1.61%	-2.52%	-1.38%	3.50%	3.41%	1.99%	3.79%
IPF Benchmark	-3.17%	-7.33%	-6.23%	1.64%	2.95%	2.21%	4.25%

Historical returns are not indicative of future performance. Please refer to the disclosures at the end of this presentation for additional information about the funds and fund benchmarks.

# Performance du fonds (net de frais) au 31 août 2022

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USEF Benchmark	-3.73%	-16.92%	-13.28%	11.90%	11.29%	12.77%	7.91%
International Equity Fund	-4.24%	-22.58%	-25.84%	3.03%	2.29%	5.07%	5.75%
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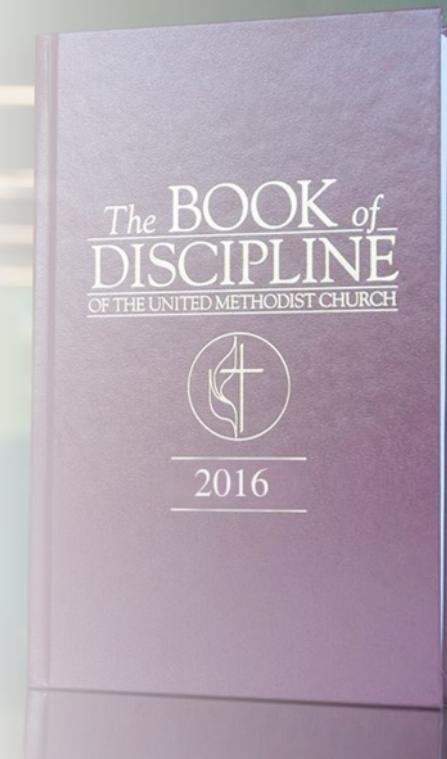
# Investment Directives

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“...discharge its fiduciary duties... solely in the interest of the participants and beneficiaries... with care, skill, prudence and diligence...”

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“...make a conscious effort to invest... with the goals outlined in the Social Principles”



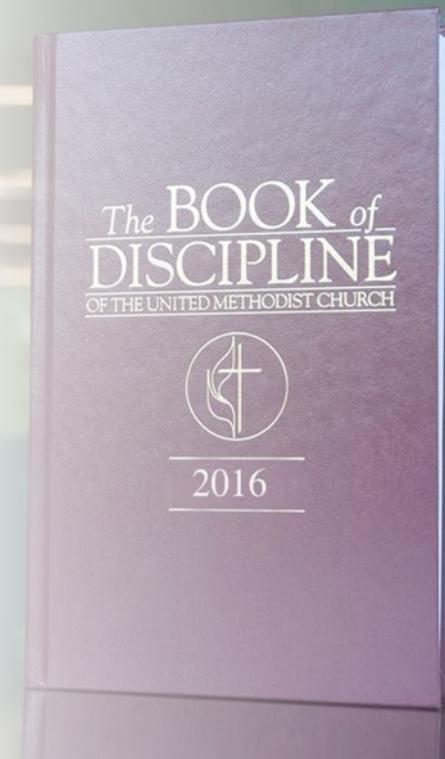
# Directives d'investissement

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"...faire un effort conscient pour investir...  
avec les objectifs décrits dans les principes  
sociaux"





# Investment Oversight Responsibilities



# Responsabilités en matière de surveillance des investissements



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