

# In need of dividend income?

## Federated Hermes Strategic Value Dividend Fund

### As of 4/30/24

#### Portfolio objective

- Seeks to provide income and long-term capital appreciation.

#### Ticker symbols

- R6 Shares - SVALX
- Institutional Shares - SVAIX
- A Shares - SVAAX
- C Shares - SVACX

#### Key portfolio characteristics

- 4.90% gross weighted average dividend yield
- 665 dividend increases and 17 cuts since inception (3/30/05)
- 38 dividend increases and zero cuts in the TTM\*
- 42 portfolio holdings
- Beta: 0.60\*\*

#### Dividend payment history

- 93% of holdings have paid consecutive dividends for 20 years.
- 86% of holdings have paid consecutive dividends for 30 years.
- 60% of holdings have paid consecutive dividends for 50 years.
- 21% of holdings have paid consecutive dividends for 100 years.

#### Dividend increase history

- 62% of holdings have raised dividends each year for 10 years.
- 26% of holdings have raised dividends each year for 20 years.
- 12% of holdings have raised dividends each year for 30 years.
- 10% of holdings have raised dividends each year for 50 years.

| Holding                                   | Prospective dividend yield (%) | Dividends paid consecutively since | Consecutive years of dividend increases | TTM* dividend change date | TTM* dividend % change | S&P credit rating |
|---|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|---------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Communication Services 7.59%</b>       |                                |                                    |   |                           |                        |                   |
| <b>AT&amp;T Inc.</b>                      | 6.57                           | 1893                               | 0                                       | –                         | –                      | BBB               |
| <b>BCE, Inc.</b>                          | 7.50                           | 1949                               | 16                                      | Feb-24                    | 3.1%                   | BBB+              |
| <b>Verizon Communications Inc.</b>        | 6.74                           | 1893                               | 17                                      | Sep-23                    | 1.9%                   | BBB+              |
| <b>Consumer Discretionary 2.01%</b>       |                                |                                    |   |                           |                        |                   |
| <b>Best Buy Co., Inc.</b>                 | 5.11                           | 2004                               | 11                                      | Feb-24                    | 2.2%                   | BBB+              |
| <b>Consumer Staples 13.14%</b>            |                                |                                    |   |                           |                        |                   |
| <b>British American Tobacco PLC</b>       | 10.02                          | 1998                               | 27                                      | Feb-24                    | 2.0%                   | BBB+              |
| <b>Coca-Cola Company</b>                  | 3.14                           | 1920                               | 62                                      | Feb-24                    | 5.4%                   | A+                |
| <b>Conagra Brands, Inc.</b>               | 4.55                           | 1977                               | 4                                       | Jul-23                    | 6.1%                   | BBB-              |
| <b>Kenvue Inc.</b>                        | 4.25                           | 1944                               | 0                                       | –                         | –                      | A                 |
| <b>Kimberly-Clark Corporation</b>         | 3.57                           | 1935                               | 52                                      | Jan-24                    | 3.4%                   | A                 |
| <b>Philip Morris International Inc.</b>   | 5.48                           | 1928                               | 16                                      | Sep-23                    | 2.4%                   | A-                |
| <b>Energy 11.51%</b>                      |                                |                                    |   |                           |                        |                   |
| <b>Chevron Corp.</b>                      | 4.04                           | 1912                               | 6                                       | Feb-24                    | 7.9%                   | AA-               |
| <b>Enbridge Inc.</b>                      | 6.36                           | 1953                               | 28                                      | Nov-23                    | 3.1%                   | BBB+              |
| <b>TC Energy Corp.</b>                    | 6.62                           | 1985                               | 25                                      | Feb-24                    | 3.2%                   | BBB+              |
| <b>TotalEnergies SE</b>                   | 4.61                           | 1945                               | 3                                       | Feb-24                    | 6.8%                   | A+                |
| <b>Financials 16.24%</b>                  |                                |                                    |   |                           |                        |                   |
| <b>Allianz SE</b>                         | 4.40                           | 1985                               | 11                                      | Feb-24                    | 21.1%                  | AA                |
| <b>Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce</b> | 4.76                           | 1868                               | 13                                      | May-23 & Nov-23           | 5.9%                   | A+                |
| <b>Huntington Bancshares Incorporated</b> | 4.60                           | 1971                               | 0                                       | –                         | –                      | BBB+              |
| <b>Morgan Stanley</b>                     | 3.74                           | 1993                               | 3                                       | Jul-23                    | 9.7%                   | A-                |
| <b>PNC Financial Services Group, Inc.</b> | 4.05                           | 1979                               | 3                                       | Jul-23                    | 3.3%                   | A-                |
| <b>Truist Financial Corp.</b>             | 5.54                           | 1980                               | 0                                       | –                         | –                      | A-                |
| <b>U.S. Bancorp</b>                       | 4.82                           | 1980                               | 3                                       | Dec-23                    | 2.1%                   | A                 |
| <b>Health Care 15.31%</b>                 |                                |                                    |   |                           |                        |                   |
| <b>AbbVie Inc.</b>                        | 3.81                           | 1924                               | 10                                      | Oct-23                    | 4.7%                   | A-                |
| <b>Amgen Inc.</b>                         | 3.29                           | 2011                               | 12                                      | Dec-23                    | 5.6%                   | BBB+              |
| <b>Bristol-Myers Squibb Company</b>       | 5.46                           | 1933                               | 18                                      | –                         | –                      | A                 |
| <b>Gilead Sciences, Inc.</b>              | 4.72                           | 2015                               | 9                                       | Feb-24                    | 2.7%                   | BBB+              |
| <b>Johnson &amp; Johnson</b>              | 3.43                           | 1944                               | 62                                      | Apr-24                    | 4.2%                   | AAA               |
| <b>Pfizer Inc.</b>                        | 6.56                           | 1938                               | 14                                      | Dec-23                    | 2.4%                   | A                 |
| <b>Sanofi</b>                             | 4.04                           | 1985                               | 29                                      | Feb-24                    | 5.6%                   | AA                |
| <b>Industrials 3.03%</b>                  |                                |                                    |   |                           |                        |                   |
| <b>Stanley Black &amp; Decker, Inc.</b>   | 3.54                           | 1876                               | 56                                      | Jul-23                    | 1.3%                   | A-                |
| <b>United Parcel Service, Inc.</b>        | 4.42                           | 1970                               | 15                                      | Jan-24                    | 0.6%                   | A                 |
| <b>Information Technology 0.87%</b>       |                                |                                    |   |                           |                        |                   |
| <b>Texas Instruments, Inc.</b>            | 2.95                           | 1962                               | 20                                      | –                         | –                      | A+                |

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\* TTM represents trailing twelve months.

\*\* Morningstar 3-year beta versus S&P 500® Index calculated using monthly returns.

Dividend changes prior to sale in the TTM\*: On 5/25/23, Medtronic PLC increased its dividend by 1.5%. On 2/13/24, Public Service Enterprises Group, Inc. increased its dividend by 5.3%.

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## Federated Hermes Strategic Value Dividend Fund

| Holding                                  | Prospective dividend yield (%) | Dividends paid consecutively since | Consecutive years of dividend increases | TTM* dividend change date | TTM* dividend % change | S&P credit rating |
|--|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|---------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| Materials 5.34%                          |                                |                                    |   |                           |                        |                   |
| <b>Amcor PLC</b>                         | 5.59                           | 1922                               | 4                                       | Oct-23                    | 2.0%                   | BBB               |
| <b>LyondellBasell Industries N.V.</b>    | 5.00                           | 2011                               | 3                                       | May-23                    | 5.0%                   | BBB               |
| Real Estate 1.18%                        |                                |                                    |   |                           |                        |                   |
| <b>NNN Reit, Inc.</b>                    | 5.48                           | 1985                               | 34                                      | Jul-23                    | 2.7%                   | BBB+              |
| Utilities 22.90%                         |                                |                                    |   |                           |                        |                   |
| <b>American Electric Power Co., Inc.</b> | 4.09                           | 1910                               | 11                                      | Oct-23                    | 6.0%                   | BBB+              |
| <b>Dominion Energy, Inc.</b>             | 5.24                           | 1925                               | 0                                       | –                         | –                      | BBB+              |
| <b>Duke Energy Corporation</b>           | 4.17                           | 1926                               | 16                                      | Jul-23                    | 2.0%                   | BBB+              |
| <b>Entergy Corp.</b>                     | 4.24                           | 1988                               | 9                                       | Oct-23                    | 5.6%                   | BBB+              |
| <b>Eergy, Inc.</b>                       | 4.90                           | 1980                               | 18                                      | Nov-23                    | 4.9%                   | BBB+              |
| <b>National Grid PLC</b>                 | 5.44                           | 1996                               | 10                                      | Nov-23                    | 10.5%                  | BBB+              |
| <b>PPL Corporation</b>                   | 3.75                           | 1946                               | 2                                       | Feb-24                    | 7.3%                   | A-                |
| <b>Southern Company</b>                  | 3.92                           | 1948                               | 23                                      | Apr-24                    | 2.9%                   | BBB+              |

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Sources: Bloomberg, FactSet and company websites of current holdings.

Information as of 4/30/24. The fund is a managed portfolio and holdings are subject to change.

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### Average annual total returns (%) as of 4/30/24

|                             | Ticker symbol | Monthly (as of 4/30/24) |        |        |         |         | Since inception (3/30/05) | Quarterly (as of 3/31/24) |        |         |                           |              | Expense ratio*** |               |
|-----------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------|---------|---------------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
|                             |               | 3-month                 | 1-year | 5-year | 10-year | 3-month |                           | 1-year                    | 5-year | 10-year | Since inception (3/30/05) | 30-day yield | Before waivers   | After waivers |
| <b>R6 Shares</b>            | SVALX         | 1.99                    | 0.61   | 5.42   | 6.02    | 6.68    | 3.71                      | 4.34                      | 5.88   | 6.75    | 6.85                      | 4.01         | 0.86             | 0.79          |
| <b>Institutional Shares</b> | SVAIX         | 1.99                    | 0.59   | 5.39   | 6.02    | 6.86    | 3.70                      | 4.33                      | 5.86   | 6.76    | 7.02                      | 3.99         | 0.94             | 0.81          |
| <b>A Shares (NAV)</b>       | SVAAX         | 1.94                    | 0.35   | 5.17   | 5.76    | 6.58    | 3.67                      | 4.09                      | 5.60   | 6.50    | 6.75                      | 3.75         | 1.18             | 1.06          |
| <b>A Shares (MOP)</b>       | SVAAX         | -3.62                   | -5.19  | 3.99   | 5.16    | 6.27    | -2.10                     | -1.71                     | 4.42   | 5.90    | 6.43                      | 3.54         | 1.18             | 1.06          |

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\*\*\* The fund's expense ratio is from the most recent prospectus. The expense ratio may reflect voluntary fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements determined by the fund's Advisor and its affiliates. The voluntary waivers and/or reimbursements, if applicable, are in effect up to but not including the later of 1/1/25 or the date of the fund's next effective prospectus.

30-day yield (also known as "SEC yield") is a compounded and annualized figure calculated according to a formula set by the SEC. The formula requires use of a specific methodology for calculating dividends and interest earned, and expenses accrued, during the period, and reflects the maximum offering price per fund share. The standardized computation is designed to facilitate yield comparisons among different funds. In the absence of temporary expense waivers or reimbursements, the 30-day yield would have been 3.43% at maximum offering price and 3.63% at net asset value for A Shares, 3.94% for R6 Shares and 3.86% for Institutional Shares.

The fund's R6 Shares commenced operations on June 29, 2016. For the period prior to the commencement of operations of the R6 Shares, the performance information shown is for the fund's Institutional Shares adjusted to remove any voluntary waiver of fund expenses related to the fund's Institutional Shares that may have occurred during the periods prior to the commencement of operations of the fund's R6 Shares.

**There are no guarantees that dividend-paying stocks will continue to pay dividends. In addition, dividend-paying stocks may not experience the same capital appreciation potential as non-dividend-paying stocks.**

Prospective dividend yield is the annualized current payment divided by the current share price.

Beta measures a portfolio's volatility relative to the market. A beta greater than 1.00 suggests the portfolio has historically been more volatile than the market as measured by the fund's benchmark. A beta less than 1.00 suggests the portfolio has historically had less volatility relative to the market.

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