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Canadian Centre of Christian Charities has access to Proteus' website where you can view current, and past newsletters and performance summaries.

There is also a link to your administrator's website, which provides the latest tools and calculators to learn more about retirement planning.

www.proteusperformance.com

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PERFORMANCE SUMMARY



INVESTMENT STRATEGY

Capital Markets are unpredictable over short time periods and a well-diversified portfolio will help protect your capital over the long-term. Successful long-term investors do not focus on poor performance in any given year – they review their strategy and make sure it is well aligned with their long-term objectives. Completing a ‘Risk Profile’ will help to determine the type of investor you are. If you are unsure of the best strategy for you, you should seek independent professional advice before making your investment decisions.



Learn more at Canada Life’s website:
ssl.grsaccess.com

Period Ending September 30, 2022				
	1 Year	3 Year	4 Year	10 Year
Balanced Funds				
Jarislowsky Fraser Balanced	-13.1	2.0	3.3	7.0
<i>JF Balanced Benchmark</i>	-9.4	2.4	3.5	5.8
Mackenzie SRI Balanced	-6.9	2.5	3.3	n/a
<i>Mackenzie SRI Balanced Benchmark</i>	-9.3	2.6	3.9	5.4
Money Market Fund				
MFS Canadian Money Market	0.9	0.7	1.0	0.9
<i>FTSE Canada 91-Day T-Bill Index</i>	0.9	0.8	1.0	0.9
Fixed Income Fund				
MFS Canadian Fixed Income	-11.0	-2.4	0.7	1.9
<i>FTSE Canada Universe Index</i>	-10.5	-2.5	0.4	1.7
Canadian Equity Funds				
Jarislowsky Fraser Canadian Equity	-12.9	3.9	4.7	8.1
Mackenzie SRI Canadian Equity	1.6	8.9	7.9	9.2
<i>S&P/TSX Composite Index</i>	-5.4	6.6	6.7	7.3
U.S. Equity Fund				
MFS American Equity	-8.7	8.3	8.8	15.1
<i>S&P 500 Index</i>	-8.3	9.5	8.8	15.5
International Equity Fund				
Sprucegrove International Equity	-16.6	-0.7	-1.4	6.5
<i>MSCI EAFE Index</i>	-18.4	-0.2	0.3	7.7
Target Date Funds				
Fidelity Clearpath Income Portfolio	-9.9	-0.3	1.1	3.5
Fidelity Clearpath 2020 Portfolio	-12.6	1.0	2.3	5.7
Fidelity Clearpath 2025 Portfolio	-13.2	1.7	2.7	6.6
Fidelity Clearpath 2030 Portfolio	-13.4	2.4	3.1	7.0
Fidelity Clearpath 2035 Portfolio	-13.5	3.1	3.5	7.9
Fidelity Clearpath 2040 Portfolio	-13.8	4.3	4.3	8.5
Fidelity Clearpath 2045 Portfolio	-14.0	4.4	4.4	8.6
Fidelity ClearPath 2050 Portfolio	-14.0	4.4	4.4	n/a
Fidelity ClearPath 2055 Portfolio	-14.0	4.4	4.4	n/a
Fidelity ClearPath 2060 Portfolio	-14.0	4.4	4.4	n/a

Your Investment Funds

Balanced Funds

Jarislowsky Fraser Balanced — Seeks to provide a balance of current income and long-term capital appreciation by investing primarily in a mix of Canadian and foreign fixed income and equity securities.

Mackenzie SRI Balanced — Provides a balanced return of capital growth and current income by investing primarily in equity and fixed income securities. The Fund invests in publicly traded Canadian and foreign companies that conduct their business operations in a socially responsible manner and show strong growth prospects; with some exposure to foreign companies that meet these criteria.

Money Market Fund

MFS Canadian Money Market — Aims to provide investors with a real rate of return. It's expected that virtually all returns will be derived from income. The Fund is suitable for clients with a low risk tolerance who have a very short investment time horizon.

Fixed Income Fund

MFS Canadian Fixed Income — Seeks to obtain interest income by investing primarily in Canadian fixed income securities.

Canadian Equity Funds

Jarislowsky Fraser Canadian Equity — Seeks to obtain long-term capital gains by investing primarily in Canadian equities.

Mackenzie SRI Canadian Equity — Provides long-term capital growth with moderate income. The Fund invests primarily in the shares of publicly traded Canadian companies that conduct their business operations in a socially responsible manner and show strong growth prospects; with some exposure to foreign companies that meet these criteria.

U.S. Equity Fund

MFS American Equity — Seeks to achieve capital appreciation investing primarily in large cap U.S. equities.

International Equity Fund

Sprucegrove International Equity— Creates a portfolio of 80 to 100 international stocks that overall have characteristics superior to a well known International Equity Index.

Target Date Funds

Fidelity ClearPath® Retirement Portfolios — A family of lifecycle funds actively managed and regularly rebalanced to provide investors with optimal risk and return for their investment time horizon. The portfolios seek to maximize growth opportunities early on to provide high total investment return, and gradually become more conservative with advancing age.

Tax Benefits of Your Workplace Retirement Plan

Did you know the reduction in your take-home pay is less than your contribution to your retirement plan? That's because your contributions are made on a pre-tax basis, meaning you receive an immediate tax deduction.

For example, someone who contributes 5% of pay to their retirement savings plan with a gross income of \$51,000 per year would contribute \$213 per month. This money is invested and has the potential to compound and grow through time. If they have a marginal tax rate of 25%, then on an after-tax basis their take-home pay is only reduced by \$159. There is an immediate tax deduction of \$53.

If you earn \$51K/yr and contribute...		
	Nothing each pay	5% each pay
Gross pay*	\$4,250	\$4,250
Contribution	\$0	\$213
Less Tax (25%)	\$1,062	\$1,009
Take Home Pay	\$3,188	\$3,028

*Monthly gross pay

Workplace retirement plans provide members with an easy and convenient way to save for retirement through regular payroll deductions. By contributing through payroll, you will receive an immediate tax deduction at source. You do not need to wait until you file your tax return to benefit from the tax deduction, as is the case when you contribute to a personal RRSP.

Your take-home pay won't drop by as much as you think! This makes saving for your future a little more affordable.

Financial Literacy Month

November is Financial Literacy Month in Canada. The Financial Consumer Agency of Canada is once again publishing resources on key building blocks that have been proven to help Canadians develop the skills, capacity, and behaviours that lead to financial resilience.

Check out their website for great resources on the following topics:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/financial-consumer-agency/campaigns/financial-literacy-month.html>

- How to manage your money when interest rates rise
- What steps to take when making a plan to pay off debt
- What to consider before borrowing money
- Knowing your rights when borrowing money
- and many more...

Financial literacy month is also a good opportunity to revisit your workplace retirement plan to ensure you are maximizing your savings rate and that your investments are aligned with your financial goals.



MARKET REVIEW

Canadian Equities

- Canadian equities declined -1.4% during the third quarter of 2022.
- The top performing sectors were consumer discretionary & industrials, both generating quarterly returns of 4.2%.
- The worst performing sector was communication services, generating a quarterly return of -7.5%.
- The S&P/TSX Composite Index slightly underperformed S&P 500 Index but outperformed MSCI EAFE Index.

Foreign Equities

- International markets, represented by the MSCI EAFE Index (C\$), and the U.S. market, represented by the S&P 500 Index (C\$), returned -3.4% and 1.3% respectively for the quarter.
- World markets, represented by the MSCI World Index (C\$) were flat for the quarter.

Fixed Income

- Global central banks accelerated their pace toward a neutral monetary policy stand through large interest rate hikes.

- The U.S. Federal Reserve raised its key interest rate from 1.75% to 3.25% during the quarter and anticipates further increases in the interest rate target range.
- The Bank of Canada increased its key interest rate from 1.50% to 3.25%.
- The 10-year U.S. Treasury yield rose 82 basis points (bps) to 3.83%, while the 10-year Government of Canada bond yield fell 6 bps to 3.16%.
- The Canadian yield curve inverted, with the spread between 30-year bonds and 2-year bonds reaching its most negative spread since 1990 at -82 bps in September.
- The labour market remains strong in Canada & the U.S. with unemployment rates at 5.4% & 3.7%, respectively.
- Inflation rates remain high, but have shown signs of finding a peak as central banks hope interest rate hikes will be enough to eventually bring it down to target levels.

A note about the performance summary:

Returns are shown before fees unless indicated. Past performance of a fund is not necessarily indicative of future performance.

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