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## Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund

Dear Fellow Shareholders,

As this is my final letter after nearly 20 years as portfolio manager of the Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund, I'd like to change things up a bit. Normally I summarize annual performance data, detail our best and worst performers for the year and finish with general economic commentary. (Due to regulatory requirements, some of that information follows my letter. Spoiler alert: fiscal 2021 was a good year.) This year, rather than providing a summary of the year's results, I want to provide perspective on topics of evergreen interest to long term investors. Consider it a distillation of some of what I've learned in 38 years of managing money. It won't take long. Here goes:

The equity premium is real. My first boss taught me this, and it is the foundational and preeminent concept of investing. In aggregate in our capitalist economy, the people who take equity (ownership) risk receive a premium (greater) return *over time* relative to lenders. It's another way of saying: "stocks outperform bonds". Not every company and not every year, but if investors aren't getting "extra" returns from non-guaranteed investments, why bother? Just lend your money instead. Another way of looking at it: Own stock and corporate management works FOR you rather than AGAINST you. Management is trying to maximize the value of their stock, while paying the minimum required on outstanding debt. Which piece of paper do you want? Fully understanding (and applying) this concept over your investment lifetime – particularly when the world is going haywire – will set you apart from other investors. Some of our most successful clients at Fort Pitt Capital are business owners who know this "in their bones."

Diversify, but don't *over*diversify. Yes, owning just two or three investments in a couple industries is foolish. It will make you either a giant winner or giant loser, when there's no need for either. That's the whole point of the equity premium. Owning 2 or 3 decent quality businesses in each of a dozen different industries allows you to capture that premium, but in a fashion that allows you to sleep at night. If stocks *in aggregate* earn higher returns, just go with the flow and own them *in aggregate*. This technique reduces the volatility in your portfolio, especially in times of market tumult. If you're more likely to do something dumb and sell your entire portfolio after a 40 percent decline, then by all means diversify to the max. You may still be tempted to sell, but it won't be for lack of diversification. Finally, be aware that volatility is not the only (or even the most important) risk. A greater risk is loss of purchasing power over time. If you can stomach the volatility that comes from a less diverse portfolio, and you own decent quality companies, you will make more money (and stay further ahead of inflation) over time.

Next is a discussion of quality versus price. If you think about it, there is no risk inherent to a business that can't be offset by paying a *low enough price* for that business. Even a business on the doorstep of bankruptcy has value to its secured creditors, who likely will become its next owners. Conversely, businesses perceived as perpetually growing and (therefore) bulletproof often sell at irrationally large premiums. Perhaps the single best historical example of this phenomenon was Cisco Systems circa 2000. It sold for over 100 times earnings in March of that year, a price at which no amount of blue sky or tortured math could make the numbers work. This is really just another way of framing the "growth vs. value" continuum. There's a price at which even the best business is a bad investment, and one at which dross becomes gold. Investment success often comes from both knowing – and acting on – the differences. The single greatest mistake I see from retail investors is blindly overpaying for businesses "everybody knows" are winners. The risk is *always* in the price.

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Next I wanted to mention the profound drop in trading costs over the last 40 years – and revisit the equity premium in the context of this decline. Before trading commissions were deregulated in 1975, stock trading was expensive – 3% to 5% of the value of a trade. A million-dollar trade might cost \$30K – more like what it costs to sell your house today. Thus the “friction” involved in trading stocks was considerable – so people *considered* it. Today, this same trade costs nothing – ZERO. This should be unadulterated good news for investors, particularly young ones with small sums to invest. Yet multibillion dollar businesses have arisen that “gamify” stock trading – making investing more like frequenting a low-end casino or sports book than steadily and deliberately putting money to work in a diverse set of businesses. This is not good.

In 1999 columnist Jim Glassman and economist Kevin Hassett wrote a book entitled “Dow 36,000: The New Strategy for Profiting From the Coming Rise in the Stock Market”. They published it on October 1, just as fears of the Millennium Bug reached a crescendo. The Dow closed that day just above 10,000, and market pundits scoffed at the book’s outlandish projections, particularly given the market’s meteoric rise over the previous 5 years. Fast forward 22 years. On Tuesday November 2nd, 2021, the Dow Jones Industrial Average closed at 36,052.63.

My point in mentioning “Dow 36,000” is not to credit the authors with supernatural prescience. In fact, a rise from 10,000 to 36,000 over 22 years equates to just a 6% annual return – hardly heroic. No, my point is instead to emphasize both the inexorable nature of the advance and the need to *stay invested*, rather than trying to play the “game” of Wall Street via frequent trading. Like rust, the Dow Jones never sleeps. Yes, it wanders off trend for extended periods (see the 1970s), and benefits from intermittent committee substitutions of smart phone makers for tired conglomerates. But over time it’s a numeric reflection of tens of millions of people around the world going to work each day to add value to their businesses – *to create the equity premium* – so that we as investors can benefit.

I’ll end with the following: A well-worn placard on my desk reads: “Don’t Just Do Something – Stand There!” It’s perhaps the single greatest bit of stock market wisdom ever uttered.

Beginning January 1, 2022 your portfolio will be in the capable hands of Dan Eye and Carter Henderson. Dan has a 20-year investing track record and a low-key, common-sense perspective that flows through every aspect of his economic analysis and portfolio management. Carter brings a youthful aptitude, curiosity and enthusiasm for analyzing businesses that I’m not sure I had 30 years ago! Each of them speaks and writes in plain English as well, rather than opaque jargon. It’s a combination that I’m certain will serve us well for many years into the future.

Happy Investing,



Charlie Smith  
Portfolio Manager

P.S.: The single greatest hazard to your portfolio may be...YOU! In this age of index funds, portfolio managers need to be retrained as psychologists. Their job: Keep you away from the axe when the world is screaming: “Break Glass in Emergency”.

P.S.S.: Thanks to all my compatriots at Fort Pitt Capital Group for their friendly and diligent help over the years. You made it fun!

## Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund

As of October 31, 2021, the net asset value (“NAV”) of the Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund (the “Fund”) was \$34.53 per share. Total return for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2021 (including a \$0.25691 per share dividend paid in December 2020), was 39.00%. This compares with a total return of 43.77% for the unmanaged Wilshire 5000 Total Market Index<sup>SM</sup> (“Wilshire 5000”) and 42.91% for the S&P 500<sup>®</sup> Index (“S&P 500”) for the same period.

Our top five performers in the fiscal year were Charles Schwab Corp., PNC Financial Services Group, Inc., Microsoft Corp., Arthur J. Gallagher & Co., and Xilinx, Inc. Xilinx delivered record sales driven by their automotive segment, and saw its share price boosted by an acquisition bid from Advance Micro Devices. Arthur Gallagher continues to benefit from the economic rebound and rising property and casualty insurance prices from depressed levels in 2020. As the pandemic lingered, more companies relied on remote tools such as Microsoft Teams and cloud computing capabilities, which lifted Microsoft’s outlook. Azure continues to gain market share and is still growing more than 40% quarter over quarter. Charles Schwab continues to grow revenue from trading activities and slightly higher asset management fees. Total client assets are approaching \$8 trillion, a significant increase from the \$6.69 trillion at the end of 2020. Lastly, PNC’s acquisition of BBVA is beginning to show positive operating leverage, with the combined entity driving strong fee income as well as a lower expense run rate.

Our bottom five performers in the fiscal year were Verizon Communications, Inc., Bristol Myers Squibb Co., Kimberly-Clark Corp., Constellation Brands, Inc., and Raytheon Technologies Corp. Uncertainties for small and mid-size business operations put pressure on Verizon’s Business segment. Operating margins contracted by approximately 400 basis points in 2020 and into 2021. A midyear addition to the portfolio, Bristol Myers faces generic competition for Revlimid, which drives 29% of Bristol Myers sales and is a high margin contributor to their bottom line. Kimberly-Clark has been hurt by a slow professional tissue recovery and a steeper than expected jump in input and energy costs. Constellation, another late to mid-year addition to the portfolio, faced sharp declines in U.S. hard-seltzer sales since mid-July, as sales of these drinks are perhaps more seasonal than management expected. This underscores challenges consumer goods producers are facing from shifting consumer behavior coming out of the pandemic. Lastly, Raytheon, another late year addition to the Fund is under pressure given supply chain risks—material lead times have doubled—and rising inflation.

Annualized total return for the three years ended October 31, 2021 was 16.15%, compared to 21.68% for the Wilshire 5000 and 21.48% for the S&P 500. Over the five-year period ended October 31, 2021, the Fund’s annualized total return was 15.59%, while the Wilshire 5000’s annualized return was 18.93% and the S&P 500’s annualized return was 18.93%. Over the ten-year period ended October 31, 2021, the Fund’s annualized total return was 12.82%, while the Wilshire 5000’s annualized return was 15.99% and the S&P 500’s annualized return was 16.21%. Since inception on December 31, 2001 through October 31, 2021, the Fund has produced a total return of 9.38% annualized (491.84% cumulative), compared to 9.86% annualized (545.48% cumulative) for the Wilshire 5000 and 9.40% annualized (494.51% cumulative) for the S&P 500. The annual gross operating expense ratio for the Fund is 1.15%, as indicated in its most recently filed prospectus.

*Performance data quoted represents past performance and does not guarantee future results. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor’s shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance of the Fund may be lower or higher than the performance quoted. Performance data current to the most recent month end may be obtained by calling 1-866-688-8775. Performance data quoted does not reflect any redemption fees for shares purchased prior to the elimination of the Fund’s short-term redemption fees. If reflected, total returns would be reduced.*

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*Performance figures reflect fee waivers in effect. In the absence of waivers, total returns would be lower.*

**Mutual fund investing involves risk; principal loss is possible. Investments in debt securities typically decrease in value when interest rates rise. This risk is usually greater for longer-term debt securities. Small and medium-capitalization companies tend to have limited liquidity and greater price volatility than large capitalization companies. The Fund invests in foreign securities which involve greater volatility and political, economic and currency risks and differences in accounting methods. Growth stocks typically are more volatile than value stocks; however, value stocks have a lower expected growth rate in earnings and sales.**

The opinions expressed are those of Charles A. Smith through the end of the period for this report, are subject to change, and are not intended to be a forecast of future events, a guarantee of future results, nor investment advice.

**Diversification does not assure a profit nor protect against loss in a declining market.**

The contributors/detractors listed above do not represent all securities purchased or sold during the period. To obtain a list showing the contribution of each holding to overall performance and the calculation methodology, please call 412-921-1822.

The S&P 500<sup>®</sup> Index is a broad based unmanaged index of 500 stocks, which is widely recognized as representative of the equity market in general. The Wilshire 5000 Total Market Index<sup>SM</sup> is a capitalization weighted index of all U.S. headquartered companies which provides the broadest measure of U.S. stock market performance.

It is not possible to invest directly in an index.

This information is intended for the shareholders of the Fund and is not for distribution to prospective investors unless preceded or accompanied by a current prospectus.

Fund holdings and sector allocations are subject to change and should not be considered a recommendation to buy or sell any security.

For a complete list of Fund holdings, please refer to the schedule of investments section of this report.

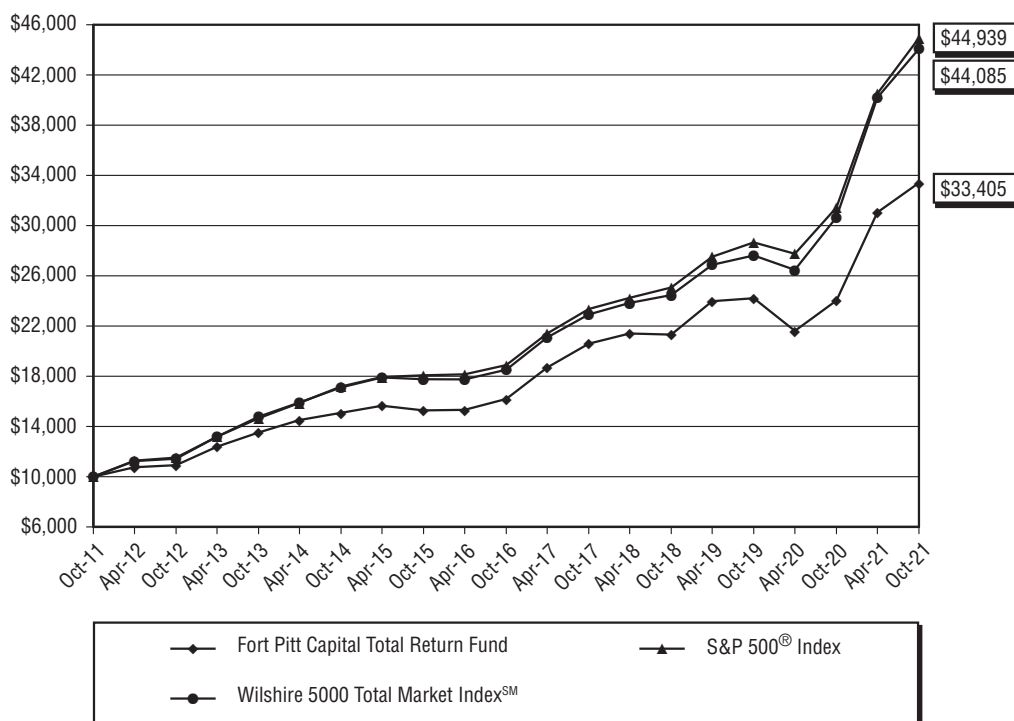
Fort Pitt Capital Group, LLC is the Advisor to the Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund, which is distributed by Quasar Distributors, LLC.

# Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund

**Growth of Hypothetical \$10,000 Investment at October 31, 2021**

vs.

**Wilshire 5000 Total Market Index<sup>SM</sup> & S&P 500<sup>®</sup> Index**



### Average Annual Total Return<sup>1</sup>

	<u>One Year</u>	<u>Five Year</u>	<u>Ten Year</u>	<u>Since Inception 12/31/01</u>
Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund	39.00%	15.59%	12.82%	9.38%
Wilshire 5000 Total Market Index <sup>SM</sup>	43.77%	18.93%	15.99%	9.86%
S&P 500 <sup>®</sup> Index	42.91%	18.93%	16.21%	9.40%

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Returns reflect reinvestment of dividends and capital gains distributions. Fee waivers are in effect. In the absence of fee waivers, returns would be reduced. The performance data and graph do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder may pay on dividends, capital gains distributions, or redemption of Fund shares. Indices do not incur expenses and are not available for investment. If it did, total returns would be reduced.

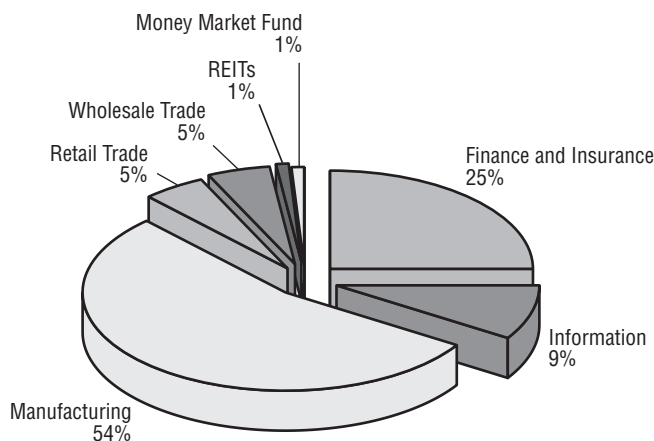
<sup>1</sup> Average Annual Total Return represents the average change in account value over the periods indicated.

The Wilshire 5000 Total Market Index<sup>SM</sup> is a capitalization weighted index of all U.S. headquartered companies which provides the broadest measure of U.S. stock market performance.

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### ALLOCATION OF PORTFOLIO INVESTMENTS at October 31, 2021 (Unaudited)



Percentages represent market value as a percentage of total investments.

### EXPENSE EXAMPLE at October 31, 2021 (Unaudited)

As a shareholder of a mutual fund, you incur two types of costs: (1) transaction costs, including redemption fees and exchange fees; and (2) ongoing costs, including management fees; distribution and/or service fees; and other fund expenses. This Example is intended to help you understand your ongoing costs (in dollars) of investing in the Fund and to compare these costs with the ongoing costs of investing in other mutual funds. The Example is based on an investment of \$1,000 invested at the beginning of the period and held for the entire period (5/1/21 – 10/31/21).

#### Actual Expenses

The first line of the following table provides information about actual account values and actual expenses. Although the Fund charges no sales loads or transaction fees, you will be assessed fees for outgoing wire transfers, returned checks, and stop payment orders at prevailing rates charged by U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC, the Fund's transfer agent. To the extent the Fund invests in shares of other investment companies as part of its investment strategy, you will indirectly bear your proportionate share of any fees and expenses charged by the underlying funds in which the Fund invests in addition to the expenses of the Fund. Actual expenses of the underlying funds are expected to vary among the various underlying funds. These expenses are not included in the example below. The Example below includes, but is not limited to, management fees, fund accounting, custody and transfer agent fees. You may use the information in this line, together with the amount you invested, to estimate the expenses that you paid over the period. Simply divide your account value by \$1,000 (for example, an \$8,600 account value divided by \$1,000 = 8.6), then multiply the result by the number in the first line under the heading entitled "Expenses Paid During Period" to estimate the expenses you paid on your account during this period.

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### EXPENSE EXAMPLE (Continued) at October 31, 2021 (Unaudited)

#### Hypothetical Example for Comparison Purposes

The second line of the table below provides information about hypothetical account values and hypothetical expenses based on the Fund's actual expense ratio and an assumed rate of return of 5% per year before expenses, which is not the Fund's actual return. The hypothetical account values and expenses may not be used to estimate the actual ending account balance or expenses you paid for the period. You may use this information to compare the ongoing costs of investing in the Fund and other funds. To do so, compare this 5% hypothetical example with the 5% hypothetical examples that appear in the shareholder reports of the other funds. Please note that the expenses shown in the table are meant to highlight your ongoing costs only and do not reflect any transactional costs, such as redemption fees or exchange fees. Therefore, the second line of the table is useful in comparing ongoing costs only and will not help you determine the relative total costs of owning different funds. In addition, if these transactional costs were included, your costs would have been higher.

	<b>Beginning Account Value</b> <u>5/1/21</u>	<b>Ending Account Value</b> <u>10/31/21</u>	<b>Expenses Paid During Period*</b> <u>5/1/21 – 10/31/21</u>
Actual	\$1,000.00	\$1,075.70	\$5.23
Hypothetical (5% return before expenses)	\$1,000.00	\$1,020.16	\$5.09

\* Expenses are equal to the Fund's annualized expense ratio of 1.00%, multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 184 (days in most recent fiscal half-year)/365 days to reflect the one-half year expense.



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### SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS at October 31, 2021

<b>COMMON STOCKS – 97.50%</b>	<b>Shares</b>	<b>Value</b>
<i><b>Beverage and Tobacco Product Manufacturing – 0.53%</b></i>		
Constellation Brands, Inc.	2,118	\$ 459,204
<i><b>Broadcasting (except Internet) – 2.35%</b></i>		
Walt Disney Co.*	12,100	2,045,747
<i><b>Chemical Manufacturing – 11.69%</b></i>		
Abbott Laboratories	35,000	4,511,150
Bristol-Meyers Squibb Co.	6,389	373,118
RPM International, Inc.	30,450	2,655,240
Westlake Chemical Corp.	27,000	2,628,180
		<u>10,167,688</u>
<i><b>Computer and Electronic Product Manufacturing – 21.17%</b></i>		
Apple, Inc.	8,730	1,307,754
Ciena Corp.*	54,994	2,985,624
Intel Corp.	49,100	2,405,900
Texas Instruments, Inc.	21,000	3,937,080
Thermo Fisher Scientific, Inc.	3,900	2,468,973
Xilinx, Inc.	29,550	5,319,000
		<u>18,424,331</u>
<i><b>Credit Intermediation and Related Activities – 11.29%</b></i>		
Bank of New York Mellon Corp.	52,100	3,084,320
PNC Financial Services Group, Inc.	20,500	4,326,115
Synchrony Financial	52,000	2,415,400
		<u>9,825,835</u>
<i><b>Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing – 4.41%</b></i>		
Parker-Hannifin Corp.	12,950	3,840,841
<i><b>General Merchandise Stores – 2.60%</b></i>		
Target Corp.	8,700	2,258,694
<i><b>Insurance Carriers and Related Activities – 7.01%</b></i>		
Arthur J. Gallagher & Co.	30,000	5,030,100
Loews Corp.	19,150	1,073,740
		<u>6,103,840</u>
<i><b>Machinery Manufacturing – 3.00%</b></i>		
II-VI, Inc.*	43,150	2,611,006
<i><b>Miscellaneous Manufacturing – 9.60%</b></i>		
Medtronic PLC #	26,900	3,224,234
Rockwell Automation, Inc.	16,050	5,126,370
		<u>8,350,604</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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### SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued) at October 31, 2021

COMMON STOCKS – 97.50% (Continued)	Shares	Value
<b><i>Paper Manufacturing – 2.94%</i></b>		
Kimberly-Clark Corp.	19,750	\$ 2,557,427
<b><i>Publishing Industries (except Internet) – 6.48%</i></b>		
Microsoft Corp.	17,000	5,637,540
<b><i>Securities, Commodity Contracts, and Other Financial Investments and Related Activities – 6.58%</i></b>		
BlackStone Group, Inc.	10,319	1,428,356
Charles Schwab Corp.	52,400	4,298,372
		<u>5,726,728</u>
<b><i>Telecommunications – 2.73%</i></b>		
Verizon Communications, Inc.	44,800	2,373,952
<b><i>Transportation Equipment Manufacturing – 5.12%</i></b>		
Honeywell International, Inc.	18,300	4,000,746
Raytheon Technologies Corp.	5,076	451,053
		<u>4,451,799</u>
TOTAL COMMON STOCKS (Cost \$32,167,299)		<u>84,835,236</u>
<b>REITs – 1.22%</b>		
<b><i>Real Estate – 1.22%</i></b>		
Digital Realty Trust, Inc.	6,744	1,064,271
TOTAL REITs (Cost \$882,089)		<u>1,064,271</u>
<b>MONEY MARKET FUND – 1.23%</b>		
<b><i>Money Market Fund – 1.23%</i></b>		
Invesco STIT-Government & Agency Portfolio – Institutional Class, 0.03% †	1,069,195	1,069,195
TOTAL MONEY MARKET FUND (Cost \$1,069,195)		<u>1,069,195</u>
Total Investments (Cost \$34,118,583) – 99.95%		86,968,702
Other Assets in Excess of Liabilities – 0.05%		42,595
NET ASSETS – 100.00%		<u>\$87,011,297</u>

\* Non-income producing security.

# U.S. traded security of a foreign issuer.

† Rate shown is the 7-day annualized yield at October 31, 2021.

REIT – Real Estate Investment Trust

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### STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES at October 31, 2021

#### ASSETS

Investments, at market value (cost \$34,118,583)	\$86,968,702
Receivables:	
Fund shares sold	10,601
Dividends and interest	137,757
Prepaid expenses	9,408
Total assets	<u>87,126,468</u>

#### LIABILITIES

Due to advisor	46,969
Fund shares redeemed	6,135
Administration and fund accounting fees	15,859
Audit fees	21,000
Transfer agent fees and expenses	10,172
Legal fees	15
Custody fees	2,972
Shareholder reporting fees	8,241
Chief Compliance Officer fee	2,500
Trustee fees and expenses	288
Accrued expenses	1,020
Total liabilities	<u>115,171</u>

#### NET ASSETS

\$87,011,297

#### COMPONENTS OF NET ASSETS

Paid-in capital	\$28,384,625
Total distributable earnings	58,626,672
Total net assets	<u>\$87,011,297</u>
Shares outstanding	
(unlimited number of shares authorized, par value \$0.01)	2,519,764
Net Asset Value, Redemption Price and Offering Price Per Share	<u>\$ 34.53</u>

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## Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund

### STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS For the year ended October 31, 2021

#### INVESTMENT INCOME

##### Income

Dividends	\$ 1,353,873
Interest	462
Total investment income	<u>1,354,335</u>

##### Expenses

Advisory fees (Note 4)	661,733
Administration and fund accounting fees (Note 4)	103,270
Transfer agent fees and expenses (Note 4)	65,338
Registration fees	22,478
Audit fees	21,000
Custody fees (Note 4)	18,137
Shareholder reporting	15,131
Chief Compliance Officer fees (Note 4)	15,000
Trustee fees and expenses	14,548
Legal fees	9,776
Miscellaneous expense	4,726
Insurance expense	3,028
Total expenses before fee waiver	<u>954,165</u>
Less: fee waiver by Advisor (Note 4)	<u>(93,290)</u>
Net expenses	<u>860,875</u>

##### Net investment income

493,460

#### REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN ON INVESTMENTS

Net realized gain on investments	5,481,556
Change in unrealized appreciation on investments	<u>20,215,866</u>
Net realized and unrealized gain on investments	<u>25,697,422</u>

##### Net increase in net assets resulting from operations

\$26,190,882

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### STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	For the Year Ended October 31, 2021	For the Year Ended October 31, 2020
<b>OPERATIONS</b>		
Net investment income	\$ 493,460	\$ 757,267
Capital gain distributions from regulated investment companies	—	3
Net realized gain/(loss) on investments	5,481,556	(175,291)
Change in unrealized appreciation/ (depreciation) on investments	<u>20,215,866</u>	<u>(1,198,992)</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	<u>26,190,882</u>	<u>(617,013)</u>
<b>DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS</b>		
Net dividends and distributions to shareholders	<u>(703,713)</u>	<u>(5,909,835)</u>
Total distributions	<u>(703,713)</u>	<u>(5,909,835)</u>
<b>CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS</b>		
Proceeds from shares sold	2,443,283	3,838,980
Proceeds from shares issued in reinvestment of dividends	702,277	5,899,525
Cost of shares redeemed <sup>+</sup>	<u>(11,007,932)</u>	<u>(7,431,862)</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in net assets resulting from capital share transactions	<u>(7,862,372)</u>	<u>2,306,643</u>
<b>Total increase/(decrease) in net assets</b>	<u>17,624,797</u>	<u>(4,220,205)</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		
Beginning of year	<u>69,386,500</u>	<u>73,606,705</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 87,011,297</u>	<u>\$69,386,500</u>
<b>CHANGES IN SHARES OUTSTANDING</b>		
Shares sold	79,198	163,758
Shares issued in reinvestment of dividends	24,084	220,132
Shares redeemed	<u>(352,381)</u>	<u>(306,082)</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in Fund shares outstanding	<u>(249,099)</u>	<u>77,808</u>
Shares outstanding, beginning of year	<u>2,768,863</u>	<u>2,691,055</u>
Shares outstanding, end of year	<u>2,519,764</u>	<u>2,768,863</u>

<sup>+</sup> Net of redemption fees of \$0 and \$1,664, respectively.

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# Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

For a share outstanding throughout each year

	For the Year Ended October 31,				
	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
<b>Net asset value, beginning of year</b>	<u>\$25.06</u>	<u>\$27.35</u>	<u>\$25.81</u>	<u>\$25.47</u>	<u>\$20.73</u>
<b>Income from investment operations:</b>					
Net investment income	0.20	0.28	0.29	0.26	0.24
Net realized and unrealized gain/(loss) on investments	<u>9.53</u>	<u>(0.34)</u>	<u>2.89</u>	<u>0.65</u>	<u>5.27</u>
Total from investment operations	<u>9.73</u>	<u>(0.06)</u>	<u>3.18</u>	<u>0.91</u>	<u>5.51</u>
<b>Less dividends:</b>					
Dividends from net investment income	(0.26)	(0.28)	(0.26)	(0.24)	(0.20)
Dividends from net realized gains	<u>—</u>	<u>(1.95)</u>	<u>(1.38)</u>	<u>(0.33)</u>	<u>(0.57)</u>
Total dividends	<u>(0.26)</u>	<u>(2.23)</u>	<u>(1.64)</u>	<u>(0.57)</u>	<u>(0.77)</u>
<b>Redemption fees</b>	<u>—</u>	<u>0.00<sup>#</sup></u>	<u>0.00<sup>#</sup></u>	<u>0.00<sup>#</sup></u>	<u>0.00<sup>#</sup></u>
<b>Net asset value, end of year</b>	<u>\$34.53</u>	<u>\$25.06</u>	<u>\$27.35</u>	<u>\$25.81</u>	<u>\$25.47</u>
<b>Total return<sup>1</sup></b>	39.00%	-0.76%	13.60%	3.51%	27.18%
<b>Supplemental data and ratios:</b>					
Net assets, end of year	\$87,011,297	\$69,386,500	\$73,606,705	\$66,904,051	\$69,737,499
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets:					
Before fee waivers	1.15%	1.39%	1.38%	1.35%	1.37%
After fee waivers	1.04%	1.24%	1.24%	1.24%	1.24%
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets:					
Before fee waivers	0.48%	0.93%	0.96%	0.83%	0.87%
After fee waivers	0.59%	1.08%	1.10%	0.94%	1.00%
Portfolio turnover rate	4%	8%	13%	4%	5%

<sup>#</sup> Amount is less than \$0.01 per share.

<sup>1</sup> Total return reflects reinvested dividends but does not reflect the impact of taxes.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

# Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS at October 31, 2021

### NOTE 1 – ORGANIZATION

The Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund (the “Fund”) is a diversified series of Advisors Series Trust (the “Trust”), which is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the “1940 Act”), as amended, as an open-end management investment company. The Fund follows the investment company accounting and reporting guidance of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) Accounting Standard Codification Topic 946 “Financial Services – Investment Companies.” The Fund began operations on December 31, 2001.

The investment goal of the Fund is to seek to realize a combination of long-term capital appreciation and income that will produce maximum total return. The Fund seeks to achieve its goal by investing primarily in a diversified portfolio of common stocks of domestic (U.S.) companies and fixed income investments.

### NOTE 2 – SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following is a summary of significant accounting policies consistently followed by the Fund. These policies are in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

- A. *Security Valuation:* All investments in securities are recorded at their estimated fair value, as described in note 3.
- B. *Federal Income Taxes:* It is the Fund’s policy to comply with the requirements of Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code applicable to regulated investment companies and to distribute substantially all of its taxable income to its shareholders. Therefore, no Federal income or excise tax provision is required.

The Fund recognizes the tax benefits of uncertain tax positions only where the position is “more likely than not” to be sustained assuming examination by tax authorities. The tax returns of the Fund’s prior three fiscal years are open for examination. Management has reviewed all open tax years in major jurisdictions and concluded that there is no impact on the Fund’s net assets and no tax liability resulting from unrecognized tax events relating to uncertain income tax positions taken or expected to be taken on a tax return. The Fund identifies its major tax jurisdictions as U.S. Federal and the state of Wisconsin. The Fund is not aware of any tax positions for which it is reasonably possible that the total amounts of unrecognized tax benefits will change materially in the next twelve months.

- C. *Securities Transactions, Income and Distributions:* Securities transactions are accounted for on the trade date. Realized gains and losses on securities sold are determined on the basis of identified cost. Interest income is recorded on an accrual basis. Dividend income and distributions to shareholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

Common expenses of the Trust are typically allocated among the funds in the Trust based on a fund’s respective net assets, or by other equitable means.

The Fund distributes substantially all net investment income, if any, and net realized capital gains, if any, annually. Distributions from net realized gains for book purposes may include short-term capital gains. All short-term capital gains are included in ordinary income for tax purposes. The amount of dividends and distributions to shareholders from net investment income and net realized capital gains is determined in accordance with Federal income tax regulations which differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. To the extent these book/tax differences are permanent, such amounts are reclassified with the capital accounts based on their Federal tax treatment.

# Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

- D. *Reclassification of Capital Accounts:* Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that certain components of net assets relating to permanent differences be reclassified between financial and tax reporting. These reclassifications have no effect on net assets or net asset value per share. There were no reclassifications during the year ended October 31, 2021.
- E. *Use of Estimates:* The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of increases and decreases in net assets during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.
- F. *REITs:* The Fund has made certain investments in real estate investment trusts (“REITs”) which pay dividends to their shareholders based upon available funds from operations. It is quite common for these dividends to exceed the REITs’ taxable earnings and profits resulting in the excess portion being designated as a return of capital. The Fund intends to include the gross dividends from such REITs in their annual distribution to its shareholders and, accordingly, a portion of the Fund’s distributions may also be designated as a return of capital.
- G. *Events Subsequent to the Fiscal Year End:* In preparing the financial statements as of October 31, 2021, management considered the impact of subsequent events for potential recognition or disclosure in the financial statements. Management has determined there were no subsequent events that would need to be disclosed in the Fund’s financial statements.

### NOTE 3 – SECURITIES VALUATION

The Fund has adopted authoritative fair value accounting standards which establish an authoritative definition of fair value and set out a hierarchy for measuring fair value. These standards require additional disclosures about the various inputs and valuation techniques used to develop the measurements of fair value, a discussion in changes in valuation techniques and related inputs during the period and expanded disclosure of valuation levels for major security types. These inputs are summarized in the three broad levels listed below:

Level 1 – Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Fund has the ability to access.

Level 2 – Observable inputs other than quoted prices included in level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. These inputs may include quoted prices for the identical instrument on an inactive market, prices for similar instruments, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, yield curves, default rates and similar data.

Level 3 – Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability, to the extent relevant observable inputs are not available, representing the Fund’s own assumptions about the assumptions a market participant would use in valuing the asset or liability, and would be based on the best information available.

Following is a description of the valuation techniques applied to the Fund’s major categories of assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis.

The Fund determines the fair value of its investments and computes its net asset value per share as of the close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange (4:00 pm EST).

*Equity Securities:* The Fund’s investments are carried at fair value. Equity securities, including common stocks and real estate investment trusts, that are primarily traded on a national securities exchange shall be valued at the last sale price on the exchange on which they are primarily traded on the day of valuation or, if there has been no sale on such day, at the mean between the bid and asked prices. Securities primarily traded in the NASDAQ Global Market System for which market quotations are readily available shall be valued



## Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

using the NASDAQ Official Closing Price (“NOCP”). If the NOCP is not available, such securities shall be valued at the last sale price on the day of valuation, or if there has been no sale on such day, at the mean between the bid and asked prices. Over-the-counter securities which are not traded in the NASDAQ Global Market System shall be valued at the most recent sales price. To the extent these securities are actively traded and valuation adjustments are not applied, they are categorized in level 1 of the fair value hierarchy.

*Investment Companies:* Investments in open-end mutual funds, including money market funds, are generally priced at their net asset value per share provided by the service agent of the funds and will be classified in level 1 of the fair value hierarchy.

*Short-Term Securities:* Short-term debt securities, including those securities having a maturity of 60 days or less, are valued at the evaluated mean between the bid and asked prices. To the extent the inputs are observable and timely, these securities would be classified in level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

The Board of Trustees (“Board”) has delegated day-to-day valuation issues to a Valuation Committee of the Trust which is comprised of representatives from the Fund’s administrator, U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC, doing business as U.S. Bank Global Fund Services (“Fund Services”). The function of the Valuation Committee is to value securities where current and reliable market quotations are not readily available or the closing price does not represent fair value by following procedures approved by the Board. These procedures consider many factors, including the type of security, size of holding, trading volume and news events. All actions taken by the Valuation Committee are subsequently reviewed and ratified by the Board.

Depending on the relative significance of the valuation inputs, fair valued securities may be classified in either level 2 or level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities is not an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities. The following is a summary of the inputs used to value the Fund’s securities as of October 31, 2021:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
<b>Common Stocks</b>				
Finance and Insurance	\$21,656,403	\$ —	\$ —	\$21,656,403
Information	7,683,287	—	—	7,683,287
Manufacturing	46,862,154	—	—	46,862,154
Retail Trade	4,632,646	—	—	4,632,646
Wholesale Trade	4,000,746	—	—	4,000,746
<b>Total Common Stocks</b>	<u>84,835,236</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>84,835,236</u>
<b>REITs</b>	1,064,271	—	—	1,064,271
<b>Money Market Fund</b>	1,069,195	—	—	1,069,195
<b>Total Investments</b>	<u>\$86,968,702</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$86,968,702</u>

Refer to the Fund’s schedule of investments for a detailed break-out of securities by industry classification.

In October 2020, the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) adopted new regulations governing the use of derivatives by registered investment companies (“Rule 18f-4”). Funds will be required to implement and comply with Rule 18f-4 by August 19, 2022. Once implemented, Rule 18f-4 will impose limits on the amount of derivatives a fund can enter into, eliminate the asset segregation framework currently used by funds to comply with Section 18 of the 1940 Act, treat derivatives as senior securities and require funds whose use of derivatives is more than a limited specified exposure amount to establish and maintain a comprehensive derivatives risk management program and appoint a derivatives risk manager. The Fund does not currently enter into derivatives transactions. Management is currently evaluating the potential impact of Rule 18f-4 on the Fund.

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## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

In December 2020, the SEC adopted a new rule providing a framework for fund valuation practices (“Rule 2a-5”). Rule 2a-5 establishes requirements for determining fair value in good faith for purposes of the 1940 Act. Rule 2a-5 will permit fund boards to designate certain parties to perform fair value determinations, subject to board oversight and certain other conditions. Rule 2a-5 also defines when market quotations are “readily available” for purposes of the 1940 Act and the threshold for determining whether a fund must fair value a security. In connection with Rule 2a-5, the SEC also adopted related recordkeeping requirements and is rescinding previously issued guidance, including with respect to the role of a board in determining fair value and the accounting and auditing of fund investments. The Fund will be required to comply with the rules by September 8, 2022. Management is currently assessing the potential impact of the new rules on the Fund’s financial statements.

The global outbreak of COVID-19 (commonly referred to as “coronavirus”) has disrupted economic markets and the prolonged economic impact is uncertain. The ultimate economic fallout from the pandemic, and the long-term impact on economies, markets, industries and individual issuers, are not known. The operational and financial performance of the issuers of securities in which the Fund invests depends on future developments, including the duration and spread of the outbreak, and such uncertainty may in turn adversely affect the value and liquidity of the Fund’s investments, impair the Fund’s ability to satisfy redemption requests, and negatively impact the Fund’s performance.

### NOTE 4 – INVESTMENT ADVISORY FEE AND OTHER TRANSACTIONS WITH AFFILIATES

Fort Pitt Capital Group, LLC (the “Advisor”) provides the Fund with investment management services under an investment advisory agreement. The Advisor furnishes all investment advice, office space, facilities, and provides most of the personnel needed by the Fund. As compensation for its services, the Advisor is entitled to a monthly fee at the annual rate of 0.76%, based upon the average daily net assets of the Fund. Prior to January 1, 2021, the Advisor was entitled to a monthly fee of 1.00%, based upon the average daily net assets of the Fund up to \$100 million, 0.90% on assets between \$100 million and \$1 billion, and 0.80% on assets over \$1 billion. For the year ended October 31, 2021, the Fund incurred \$661,733 in advisory fees.

The Fund is responsible for its own operating expenses. The Advisor has agreed to contractually reduce fees payable to it by the Fund and to pay Fund operating expenses to the extent necessary to limit the Fund’s aggregate annual operating expenses (excluding acquired fund fees and expenses, interest, taxes, brokerage commissions, and extraordinary expenses) to 1.00% of average daily net assets. Prior to January 1, 2021, the actual net expenses were contractually limited to 1.24%. Any such reduction made by the Advisor in its fees or payment of expenses which are the Fund’s obligation are subject to reimbursement by the Fund to the Advisor, if so requested by the Advisor, in any subsequent month in the 36-month period from the date of the management fee reduction and expense payment if the aggregate amount actually paid by the Fund toward the operating expenses for such fiscal year (taking into account the reimbursement) will not cause the Fund to exceed the lesser of: (1) the expense limitation in place at the time of the management fee reduction and expense payment; or (2) the expense limitation in place at the time of the reimbursement. Any such reimbursement is also contingent upon Board of Trustees review and approval. Such reimbursement may not be paid prior to a Fund’s payment of current ordinary operating expenses. For the year ended October 31, 2021, the Advisor reduced its fees in the amount of \$93,290; no amounts were reimbursed to the Advisor. The Advisor may recapture portions of the amounts shown below no later than the corresponding dates:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
10/31/2022	\$ 96,142
10/31/2023	106,116
10/31/2024	93,290
	<u>\$295,548</u>

# Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

Fund Services serves as the Fund's administrator, fund accountant and transfer agent. U.S. Bank N.A. serves as custodian (the "Custodian") to the Fund. The Custodian is an affiliate of Fund Services. Fund Services maintains the Fund's books and records, calculates the Fund's NAV, prepares various federal and state regulatory filings, coordinates the payment of fund expenses, reviews expense accruals and prepares materials supplied to the Board of Trustees. The officers of the Trust, including the Chief Compliance Officer, are employees of Fund Services. Fees paid by the Fund for administration and accounting, transfer agency, custody and compliance services for the year ended October 31, 2021, are disclosed in the statement of operations.

The Fund has entered into agreements with various brokers, dealers and financial intermediaries to compensate them for transfer agent services that would otherwise be executed by Fund Services. These sub-transfer agent services include pre-processing and quality control of new accounts, maintaining detailed shareholder account records, shareholder correspondence, answering customer inquiries regarding account status, and facilitating shareholder telephone transactions. The Fund expensed \$19,027 of sub-transfer agent fees during the year ended October 31, 2021. These fees are included in the transfer agent fees and expenses amount disclosed in the statement of operations.

Quasar Distributors, LLC ("Quasar") acts as the Fund's principal underwriter in a continuous public offering of the Fund's shares. Quasar is a wholly-owned broker-dealer subsidiary of Foreside Financial Group, LLC ("Foreside"). On July 7, 2021, Foreside announced that it had entered into a definitive purchase and sale agreement with Genstar Capital ("Genstar") such that Genstar would acquire a majority stake in Foreside. The Board approved continuing the distribution agreement with Quasar at the close of the transaction which occurred on September 30, 2021.

### NOTE 5 – PURCHASES AND SALES OF SECURITIES

For the year ended October 31, 2021, the cost of purchases and the proceeds from sales of securities, excluding short-term securities, were \$3,511,475 and \$9,297,685, respectively. There were no purchases and sales of U.S. government securities during the year ended October 31, 2021.

### NOTE 6 – INCOME TAXES AND DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS

The tax character of distributions paid during the years ended October 31, 2021 and October 31, 2020 was as follows:

	<u>October 31, 2021</u>	<u>October 31, 2020</u>
Ordinary income	\$703,713	\$ 745,332
Long-term capital gains	—	5,164,503

As of October 31, 2021, the components of accumulated earnings/(losses) on a tax basis were as follows:

Cost of investments (a)	<u>\$34,118,583</u>
Gross tax unrealized appreciation	52,917,629
Gross tax unrealized depreciation	<u>(67,510)</u>
Net tax unrealized appreciation (a)	<u>52,850,119</u>
Undistributed ordinary income	470,285
Undistributed long-term capital gain	<u>5,306,268</u>
Total distributable earnings	<u>5,776,553</u>
Other accumulated gains/(losses)	<u>—</u>
Total accumulated earnings/(losses)	<u>\$58,626,672</u>

(a) The book-basis and tax-basis net unrealized appreciation are the same.

# Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### NOTE 7 – PRINCIPAL RISKS

Below is a summary of some, but not all, of the principal risks of investing in the Fund, each of which may adversely affect the Fund's net asset value and total return. The Fund's most recent prospectus provides further descriptions of the Fund's investment objective, principal investment strategies and principal risks.

- **Market and Regulatory Risks:** Events in the financial markets and economy may cause volatility and uncertainty and adversely impact the Fund's performance. Market events may affect a single issuer, industry, sector, or the market as a whole. Traditionally liquid investments may experience periods of diminished liquidity. Governmental and regulatory actions, including tax law changes, may also impair portfolio management and have unexpected or adverse consequences on particular markets, strategies, or investments. The Fund's investments may decline in value due to factors affecting individual issuers (such as the results of supply and demand), or sectors within the securities markets. The value of a security or other investment also may go up or down due to general market conditions that are not specifically related to a particular issuer, such as real or perceived adverse economic conditions, changes in interest rates or exchange rates, or adverse investor sentiment generally. In addition, unexpected events and their aftermaths, such as the spread of deadly diseases; natural, environmental or man-made disasters; financial, political or social disruptions; terrorism and war; and other tragedies or catastrophes, can cause investor fear and panic, which can adversely affect the economies of many companies, sectors, nations, regions and the market in general, in ways that cannot necessarily be foreseen.
- **Sector Emphasis Risks:** Securities of companies in the same or related businesses, if comprising a significant portion of the Fund's portfolio, could react in some circumstances negatively to market conditions, interest rates and economic, regulatory or financial developments and adversely affect the value of the portfolio to a greater extent than if such business comprised a lesser portion of the Fund's portfolio.
- **Equity Securities Risks:** The price of equity securities may rise or fall because of economic or political changes or changes in a company's financial condition, sometimes rapidly or unpredictably. In addition, as noted below, certain sectors of the market may be "out of favor" during a particular time period which can result in volatility in equity price movements. These price movements may result from factors affecting individual companies, sectors or industries selected for the Fund's portfolio or the securities market as a whole, such as changes in economic or political conditions.
- **Large Capitalization Company Risks:** Larger, more established companies may be unable to respond quickly to new competitive challenges like changes in consumer tastes or innovative smaller competitors. In addition, large-cap companies are sometimes unable to attain the high growth rates of successful, smaller companies, especially during extended periods of economic expansion.
- **Small- and Medium-Capitalization Company Risks:** The risks associated with investing in small and medium capitalization companies, which have securities that may trade less frequently and in smaller volumes than securities of larger companies.
- **Interest Rate Risks:** The Fund's investments in fixed income securities will change in value based on changes in interest rates. If rates increase, the value of these investments generally declines. Securities with greater interest rate sensitivity and longer maturities generally are subject to greater fluctuations in value.
- **Credit Risks:** An issuer may be unable or unwilling to make timely payments of principal and interest or to otherwise honor its obligations.
- **American Depositary Receipts Risks:** Investing in ADRs may involve risks in addition to the risks in domestic investments, including less regulatory oversight and less publicly-available information, less stable governments and economies, and non-uniform accounting, auditing and financial reporting standards.

# Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

- **U.S. Government Obligations Risks:** U.S. Government obligations are viewed as having minimal or no credit risk but are still subject to interest rate risk. Securities issued by certain U.S. Government agencies and U.S. Government-sponsored enterprises are not guaranteed by the U.S. Government or supported by the full faith and credit of the United States. If a government-sponsored entity is unable to meet its obligation, the performance of the Fund may be adversely impacted.
- **REIT Risks:** Investments in REITs will be subject to the risks associated with the direct ownership of real estate and annual compliance with tax rules applicable to REITs. Risks commonly associated with the direct ownership of real estate include fluctuations in the value of underlying properties, defaults by borrowers or tenants, changes in interest rates and risks related to general or local economic conditions. In addition, REITs have their own expenses, and the Fund will bear a proportionate share of those expenses.
- **Investment Company Risks:** When the Fund invests in an ETF or mutual fund, it will bear additional expenses based on its pro rata share of the ETF's or mutual fund's operating expenses, including the potential duplication of management fees. The risk of owning an ETF or mutual fund generally reflects the risks of owning the underlying securities the ETF or mutual fund holds. The Fund also will incur brokerage costs when it purchases ETFs.

### NOTE 8 – CONTROL OWNERSHIP

The beneficial ownership, either directly or indirectly, of more than 25% of the voting securities of a fund creates a presumption of control of the fund, under Section 2(a)(9) of the 1940 Act. As of October 31, 2021, Charles Schwab & Co., for the benefit of their customers, owned 67.29% of the outstanding shares of the Fund.

### NOTE 9 – OTHER TAX INFORMATION

The Fund declared a distribution to be paid, on December 16, 2021, to shareholders of record on December 15, 2021 as follows:

<u>Ordinary Income</u>	<u>Long-Term Capital Gains</u>
\$0.20499469	\$2.13602

# Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund

## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Trustees Advisors Series Trust and  
Shareholders of Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund

### Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities of Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund (the “Fund”), a series of Advisors Series Trust (the “Trust”), including the schedule of investments, as of October 31, 2021, the related statement of operations for the year then ended, the statements of changes in net assets for each of the two years in the period then ended, financial highlights for each of the five years in the period then ended, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the “financial statements”). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund as of October 31, 2021, the results of its operations for the year then ended, the changes in its net assets for each of the two years in the period then ended, and the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Fund’s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Fund’s financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (“PCAOB”) and are required to be independent with respect to the Fund in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB. We have served as the auditor of one or more funds in the Trust since 2003.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Fund is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audits we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund’s internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of October 31, 2021 by correspondence with the custodian. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

TAIT, WELLER & BAKER LLP

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
December 29, 2021

## **Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund**

### **NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS at October 31, 2021 (Unaudited)**

For the year ended October 31, 2021, the Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund designated \$703,713 as ordinary income and \$0 as long-term capital gains for purposes of the dividends paid deduction.

For the year ended October 31, 2021, certain dividends paid by the Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund may be subject to a maximum tax rate of 23.8%, as provided by the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2003. The percentage of dividends declared from net investment income designated as qualified dividend income was 100%.

For corporate shareholders in the Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund, the percent of ordinary income distributions qualifying for the corporate dividends received deduction for the year ended October 31, 2021 was 100%.

## **Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund**

### **STATEMENT REGARDING LIQUIDITY RISK MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (Unaudited)**

The Fund has adopted a liquidity risk management program (the “program”). The Board has designated a committee at the Advisor to serve as the administrator of the program. The Advisor’s committee conducts the day-to-day operation of the program pursuant to policies and procedures administered by the committee.

Under the program, the Advisor’s committee manages the Fund’s liquidity risk, which is the risk that the Fund could not meet shareholder redemption requests without significant dilution of remaining shareholders’ interests in the Fund. This risk is managed by monitoring the degree of liquidity of the Fund’s investments, limiting the amount of the Fund’s illiquid investments, and utilizing various risk management tools and facilities available to the Fund for meeting shareholder redemptions, among other means. The committee’s process of determining the degree of liquidity of the Fund’s investments is supported by one or more third-party liquidity assessment vendors.

The Board reviewed a report prepared by the committee regarding the operation and effectiveness of the program for the period June 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. No significant liquidity events impacting the Fund were noted in the report. In addition, the committee provided its assessment that the program had been effective in managing the Fund’s liquidity risk.



## Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund

### INFORMATION ABOUT TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS (Unaudited)

This chart provides information about the Trustees and Officers who oversee the Fund. Officers elected by the Trustees manage the day-to-day operations of the Fund and execute policies formulated by the Trustees.

#### Independent Trustees<sup>(1)</sup>

<u>Name, Address and Age</u>	<u>Position Held with the Trust</u>	<u>Term of Office and Length of Time Served*</u>	<u>Principal Occupation During Past Five Years</u>	<u>Number of Portfolios in Fund Complex Overseen by Trustee<sup>(2)</sup></u>	<u>Other Directorships Held During Past Five Years<sup>(3)</sup></u>
Gail S. Duree (age 75) 615 E. Michigan Street Milwaukee, WI 53202	Trustee	Indefinite term; since March 2014.	Director, Alpha Gamma Delta Housing Corporation (collegiate housing management) (2012 to July 2019); Trustee and Chair (2000 to 2012), New Covenant Mutual Funds (1999 to 2012); Director and Board Member, Alpha Gamma Delta Foundation (philanthropic organization) (2005 to 2011).	1	Trustee, Advisors Series Trust (for series not affiliated with the Fund).
David G. Mertens (age 61) 615 E. Michigan Street Milwaukee, WI 53202	Trustee	Indefinite term; since March 2017.	Partner and Head of Business Development Ballast Equity Management, LLC (a privately-held investment advisory firm) (February 2019 to present); Managing Director and Vice President, Jensen Investment Management, Inc. (a privately-held investment advisory firm) (2002 to 2017).	1	Trustee, Advisors Series Trust (for series not affiliated with the Fund).
Joe D. Redwine (age 74) 615 E. Michigan Street Milwaukee, WI 53202	Trustee	Indefinite term; since September 2008.	Retired; formerly Manager, President, CEO, U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC and its predecessors (May 1991 to July 2017).	1	Trustee, Advisors Series Trust (for series not affiliated with the Fund).

## Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund

### INFORMATION ABOUT TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS (Unaudited) (Continued)

<u>Name, Address and Age</u>	<u>Position Held with the Trust</u>	<u>Term of Office and Length of Time Served*</u>	<u>Principal Occupation During Past Five Years</u>	<u>Number of Portfolios in Fund Complex Overseen by Trustee<sup>(2)</sup></u>	<u>Other Directorships Held During Past Five Years<sup>(3)</sup></u>
Raymond B. Woolson (age 62) 615 E. Michigan Street Milwaukee, WI 53202	Chairman of the Board	Indefinite term; since January 2020.	President, Apogee Group, Inc. (financial consulting firm) (1998 to present).	1	Trustee, Advisors Series Trust (for series not affiliated with the Fund); Independent Trustee, DoubleLine Funds Trust (an open-end investment company with 20 portfolios), DoubleLine Opportunistic Credit Fund, DoubleLine Selective Credit Fund and DoubleLine Income Solutions Fund, from 2010 to present.
	Trustee	Indefinite term; since January 2016.			

## Fort Pitt Capital Total Return Fund

### INFORMATION ABOUT TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS (Unaudited) (Continued)

#### Officers

<u>Name, Address and Age</u>	<u>Position Held with the Trust</u>	<u>Term of Office and Length of Time Served</u>	<u>Principal Occupation During Past Five Years</u>
Jeffrey T. Rauman (age 52) 615 E. Michigan Street Milwaukee, WI 53202	President, Chief Executive Officer and Principal Executive Officer	Indefinite term; since December 2018.	Senior Vice President, Compliance and Administration, U.S. Bank Global Fund Services (February 1996 to present).
Cheryl L. King (age 60) 615 E. Michigan Street Milwaukee, WI 53202	Vice President, Treasurer and Principal Financial Officer	Indefinite term; since December 2007.	Vice President, Compliance and Administration, U.S. Bank Global Fund Services (October 1998 to present).
Kevin J. Hayden (age 50) 615 E. Michigan Street Milwaukee, WI 53202	Assistant Treasurer	Indefinite term; since September 2013.	Vice President, Compliance and Administration, U.S. Bank Global Fund Services (June 2005 to present).
Richard R. Conner (age 39) 615 E. Michigan Street Milwaukee, WI 53202	Assistant Treasurer	Indefinite term; since December 2018.	Assistant Vice President, Compliance and Administration, U.S. Bank Global Fund Services (July 2010 to present).
Michael L. Ceccato (age 64) 615 E. Michigan Street Milwaukee, WI 53202	Vice President, Chief Compliance Officer and AML Officer	Indefinite term; since September 2009.	Senior Vice President, U.S. Bank Global Fund Services and Vice President, U.S. Bank N.A. (February 2008 to present).
Michelle L. Sanville-Seebold (age 49) 615 E. Michigan Street Milwaukee, WI 53202	Deputy Chief Compliance Officer	Indefinite term; since September 2021.	Vice President, U.S. Bank Global Fund Services (August 2014 to present).

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### INFORMATION ABOUT TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS (Unaudited) (Continued)

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Elaine E. Richards, Esq. (age 53) 2020 East Financial Way, Suite 100 Glendora, CA 91741	Vice President and Secretary	Indefinite term; since September 2019.	Senior Vice President, U.S. Bank Global Fund Services (July 2007 to present).

\* The Trustees have designated a mandatory retirement age of 75, such that each Trustee, serving as such on the date he or she reaches the age of 75, shall submit his or her resignation not later than the last day of the calendar year in which his or her 75th birthday occurs ("Retiring Trustee"). Upon request, the Board may, by vote of a majority of Trustees eligible to vote on such matter, determine whether or not to extend such Retiring Trustee's term and on the length of a one-time extension of up to three additional years.

- (1) The Trustees of the Trust who are not "interested persons" of the Trust as defined under the 1940 Act ("Independent Trustees").
- (2) As of October 31, 2021, the Trust was comprised of 36 active portfolios managed by unaffiliated investment advisers. The term "Fund Complex" applies only to the Fund. The Fund does not hold itself out as related to any other series within the Trust for investment purposes, nor does it share the same investment adviser with any other series.
- (3) "Other Directorships Held" includes only directorships of companies required to register or file reports with the SEC under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, (that is, "public companies") or other investment companies registered under the 1940 Act.

The Statement of Additional Information includes additional information about the Fund's Trustees and Officers and is available, without charge, upon request by calling 1-866-688-8775.

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### **HOUSEHOLDING**

In an effort to decrease costs, the Fund will reduce the number of duplicate prospectuses, supplements, and certain other shareholder documents that you receive by sending only one copy of each to those addresses shown by two or more accounts. Please call the Fund's transfer agent toll free at 1-866-688-8775 to request individual copies of these documents. The Fund will begin sending individual copies 30 days after receiving your request. This policy does not apply to account statements.

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## PRIVACY POLICY

The Fund collects non-public information about you from the following sources:

- Information we receive about you on applications or other forms;
- Information you give us orally; and/or
- Information about your transactions with us or others.

We do not disclose any non-public personal information about our customers or former customers without the customer's authorization, except as permitted by law or in response to inquiries from governmental authorities. We may share information with affiliated and unaffiliated third parties with whom we have contracts for servicing the Fund. We will provide unaffiliated third parties with only the information necessary to carry out their assigned responsibilities. We maintain physical, electronic and procedural safeguards to guard your non-public personal information and require third parties to treat your personal information with the same high degree of confidentiality.

In the event that you hold shares of the Fund through a financial intermediary, including, but not limited to, a broker-dealer, bank, or trust company, the privacy policy of your financial intermediary would govern how your non-public personal information would be shared by those entities with unaffiliated third parties.

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The Fund's Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures are available without charge upon request by calling 1-866-688-8775. Information regarding how the Fund voted proxies relating to portfolio securities during the 12-month period ended June 30 is available by calling 1-866-688-8775 and on the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

The Fund files its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the SEC for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Part F of Form N-PORT. The Fund's Form N-PORT is available on the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). Information included in the Fund's Form N-PORT is also available, upon request, by calling 1-866-688-8775.