

Gilead Fund Commentary

September 30, 2025

Q3 2025

37.84

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Manager: Finny Kuruvilla, MD, PhD

Fund Objective: Seeks to provide long-term capital appreciation.

About the Fund: A diversified mutual fund representing our "best ideas" for long-term capital appreciation. Historical emphases in small- and mid-cap growth, Health Care and Information Technology.

Benchmark: Bloomberg US Mid Cap Growth

 $\textbf{Morningstar Category:} \, \text{US Fund Mid-Cap}$

Growth

Lipper Category: Mid-Cap Growth

Net Assets: \$2.91 billion Inception Date: July 8, 2008

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Class I: ETILX | Class A: ETAGX | Class C: ETCGX | Class N: ETGLX

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Review

In the third quarter of 2025, the Gilead Fund (Class I) achieved a 8.51% return, contrasting with the Bloomberg US Midcap Growth Index's 5.45%. Relative to the benchmark, the Fund demonstrated strength in the Healthcare and Industrial sectors, while we noted underperformance in the Communication Services and Financial sectors.

Contributors

Lam Research Corp

Top Five Contributors¹ (%)

Ticker Company Average Weight Contribution to Return Total Return² Sector Xometry Inc XMTR Industrials 4.55 2.27 61.20 Mirum Pharmaceuticals Inc MIRM Health Care 3.17 1.18 44.06 Guardant Health Inc GH Health Care 4.39 0.87 20.06 Verona Pharma PLC VRNA Health Care 5.10 0.80 12.83

1.92

0.69

Information Technology

In the third quarter of 2025, the largest positive contributors to performance were: Xometry Inc, Mirum Pharmaceuticals Inc, Guardant Health Inc, Verona Pharma PLC, and Lam Research Corp. Xometry's distributed marketplace model for custom manufacturing put up strong performance in the third quarter, showcasing accelerated growth and a path to sustained profitability amid supply chain disruption. In the healthcare space, Mirum Pharmaceuticals' ongoing launch of Livmarli continued to exceed consensus expectations. Guardant Health posted strong performance on better-than-expected portfolio results, and Verona gained as Merck announced their plan to acquire the respiratory therapeutics company. Lam Research reported a strong quarter and outlook as well, with continued momentum from ties to the memory and storage space.

Detractors

Top Five Detractors¹ (%)

Ticker Sector Average Weight Contribution to Return Total Return² ODFL Old Dominion Freight Line Inc. Industrials -0.31-13.102.12 TMDX TransMedics Group Inc. Health Care 1.91 -0.37-16.27The Trade Desk Inc TTD Communication Services 0.99 -0.41 -31.92 Monday.com Ltd MNDY Information Technology 0.95 -0.62-38.41 3.61 Toast Inc Financials

In the third quarter of 2025, the largest negative detractors to performance were: Old Dominion Freight Line Inc, TransMedics Group Inc, The Trade Desk Inc, Monday.com Ltd, and Toast Inc. Old Dominion Freight Line performance lagged as the freight market remained soft and industrial customers continued to be cautious. TransMedics struggled amid broad medtech weakness and indications of continued seasonal softness in the third quarter. Trade Desk underperformed on weaker demand growth for its platform, with structural shifts away from open-web advertising amid competition against Amazon's DSP program. Monday.com declined due to top-of-funnel weakness surrounding SEO marketing. The largest detractor was Toast, whose restaurant operating platform faced negative sentiment around competitive industry pricing dynamics and an increasingly saturated market.

Performance is historical and does not guarantee future results.

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Portfolio Team Outlook

While the third quarter typically yields relatively weak results from an historical seasonality perspective, this year saw yet another quarter of strong market returns for both the benchmark and the Strategic Growth Strategy ("Strategy") as the US equity market continued to register multiple all-time highs. While the Mag 7 led largecap indices higher, small cap significantly outperformed large cap, particularly in the month of August as a weaker employment picture led to more dovish Federal Reserve policy expectations. Despite strong performance year to date, biotechnology stocks began an historically impressive short-term rally towards the very end of the quarter in reaction to relaxed political scrutiny on big pharma. This followed a deal between Pfizer and the Trump Administration, not entirely dissimilar from other announced deals by large companies to marginally bring manufacturing back into the US in response to tariffs, further contributing to bullish sentiment. Artificial intelligence ("AI") advancement and related distributions continue to be a dominant theme, with perceived winners and losers across a multitude of sub-industries under our coverage. After a prolonged period of relatively high stock-price correlations, our team remains focused and flexible in an

effort to execute well in what we anticipate to be a stock picker's market going forward.

The Strategy outperformed the benchmark during the third quarter. Not unlike the previous quarter, outperformance was primarily due to stock selection within the healthcare portion of the Strategy, which continues to remain our team's highest area of conviction and largest sector overweight by a wide margin. Strong stock selection within industrials and sector allocation from an underweight to consumer staples and real estate also had positive effects on excess returns. Positive contributors were partially offset by weak stock selection within financials and poor stock selection and allocation effects from the communication services sector.

Looking forward, we continue to consider regulatory and macroeconomic developments as our team assesses subsector positioning, adjusting where we deem appropriate. On top of the accelerating frequency of positive company-specific catalysts we are observing in the healthcare innovation space, we are also encouraged to see more generalist interest and external flows into healthcare-related industries in reaction to a more favorable political backdrop and improved capital market conditions. Given the severity and duration



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of weakness across smid-cap biopharma indices, such developments can cause large swings in stock prices. It is our task as investors, not short-term traders, to allow our unique and independent fundamental views to drive our investment thesis.

Despite broad US equity indices hovering near all-time highs, we are still observing very attractive valuations within the long-duration technology and biotechnology portions of the Strategy. Barring a recession in the near term, we believe this environment of attractive valuations along with increased macro visibility represents a compelling setup for our investment approach.

The Strategy remains grounded in the belief that companies with strong competitive advantages in attractive industries run by great management teams that focus on value creation for stakeholders will generate attractive returns for our clients over the long term.

Trailing Returns³ (%) 30 Sep 2025

Eventide Gilead Fund	YTD	3-mos	1-year3-year⁴	5-year4	10-year⁴	Since Inception⁴	Inception Date
Class I	17.85	8.51	18.14 12.71	5.10	11.88	13.43	02/02/2010
Class A without load	17.62	8.43	17.85 12.43	4.84	11.60	14.18	10/28/2009
Class A with 5.75% load ⁵	10.85	2.20	11.07 10.24	3.61	10.94	13.76	10/28/2009
Class C⁵	16.95	8.22	16.95 11.58	4.04	10.76	13.31	10/28/2009
Class N	17.65	8.44	17.90 12.49	4.88	11.65	12.91	07/08/2008
Benchmark							
Bloomberg US Mid Cap Growth Index ⁶	10.50	5.45	13.55 18.27	10.86	12.24	10.78	07/08/2008

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Eventide Gilead Fund expense ratio: Class I: 1.16%; Class A: 1.41%; Class C: 2.16%; Class N: 1.36%.

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 Source: Bloomberg PORT Attribution Report. Allocation percentages are subject to change at any time, and should not be considered investment advice.

- 2. The total return percentage listed is impacted by the Fund's transactions and transacted price levels of the holding during the quarter.
- 3. The returns shown do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on fund distributions or on the redemption of fund shares. Because of ongoing market volatility, fund performance may be subject to substantial shortterm changes.
- 4. Performance figures for periods greater than 1 year are annualized. The indices use an inception date of 07/08/2008.
- 5. Class A and Class C are also subject to a maximum deferred sales charge of 1.00%. This and other expenses that apply to a continued investment in the Fund are described in the Fund's prospectus.
- 6. The Bloomberg US Mid Cap Growth Index is a float market-cap-weighted index based on an equal-weighted combination of four factors: earnings yield, valuation, dividend yield, and growth. The constituents consist of the lower 800 in capitalization of the Bloomberg 1000 Index, which is a float market-cap-weighted benchmark of the 1000 most highly capitalized US companies.

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