# John Hancock Financial Opportunities Fund

Quarterly portfolio holdings 9/30/2024

John Hancock Investment Management

# Fund's investments

### As of 9-30-24 (unaudited)

|         | \$692,411,80  |
|---------|---|
|         | 690 244 42  |
|         | 689,344,13  |
| 118 620 | 7,102,96  |
|         | 2,086,94  |
|         | 5,099,78  |
|         | 2,841,55  |
|         | 4,181,30  |
|         | 10,217,86   |
|         | 8,721,69  |
|         | 5,015,43  |
|         | 4,650,00  |
|         |   |
|         | 3,808,72  |
|         | 4,360,12  |
|         | 3,960,91  |
|         | 4,391,43  |
|         | 4,124,29  |
|         | 4,705,03  |
|         | 4,683,69  |
|         | 2,212,16  |
|         | 6,734,13  |
|         | 2,832,52  |
|         | 1,598,05  |
|         | 4,255,37  |
|         | 3,035,85  |
|         | 2,396,37  |
|         | 10,352,80   |
|         | 3,261,07  |
|         | 7,051,90  |
|         | 1,350,17  |
|         | 6,926,67  |
|         | 3,831,96  |
|         | 2,965,13  |
|         | 2,441,39  |
|         | 2,148,36  |
|         | 9,631,59  |
|         | 3,970,01  |
|         | 4,624,35  |
|         | 2,016,62  |
|         | 4,657,02  |
|         | 6,723,65  |
|         | 2,393,93  |
|         | 6,019,78  |
|         | 1,817,78  |
|         | 2,718,54  |
|         | 3,174,82  |
|         | 2,455,45  |
|         | 7,437,83  |
|         | 10,786,42   |
|         | 4,187,80  |
|         | 4,563,71  |
|         | 4,965,57<br>2,849,63  |
|         | 118,62047,789173,46274,896218,459213,274231,529257,070150,000189,583116,36366,503142,394173,87441,667182,45837,912455,31768,55157,155144,20198,216169,116252,077183,001130,61586,996265,28863,962141,197126,76085,76386,104222,784160,568410,22974,904147,25594,57869,760114,822162,39882,186251,78491,8582,479289,538132,912 |

| Financials (continued)                                      | Shares            | Valu       |
|---|-------------------|------------|
| Banks (continued)   |                   |            |
| First Financial Bancorp                                     | 340,639           | \$8,594,32 |
| First Horizon Corp.   | 343,871           | 5,340,31   |
| First Merchants Corp.                                       | 150,025           | 5,580,93   |
| First Mid Bancshares, Inc.                                  | 76,166            | 2,963,61   |
| First Reliance Bancshares, Inc. (A)(F)                      | 426,454           | 4,324,24   |
| Flushing Financial Corp.                                    | 118,649           | 1,729,90   |
| Fulton Financial Corp.                                      | 194,516           | 3,526,57   |
| German American Bancorp, Inc. (B)(C)                        | 124,124           | 4,809,80   |
| Great Southern Bancorp, Inc.                                | 40,257            | 2,307,12   |
| Hancock Whitney Corp. (B)(C)                                | 182,751           | 9,351,36   |
| HBT Financial, Inc.   | 209,443           | 4,582,61   |
| Heritage Commerce Corp.                                     | 513,678           | 5,075,13   |
| Heritage Financial Corp.                                    | 90,346            | 1,966,83   |
| Horizon Bancorp, Inc.                                       | 378,518           | 5,885,95   |
| Huntington Bancshares, Inc. (C)                             | 739,488           | 10,870,47  |
| InBankshares Corp. (A)                                      | 207,676           | 1,717,48   |
| Independent Bank Corp. (Massachusetts)                      | 85,080            | 5,030,78   |
| Independent Bank Corp. (Midssachusetts)                     | 163,971           | 5,030,78   |
| KeyCorp   |                   |            |
| , ,   | 616,729           | 10,330,21  |
| Landmark Bancorp, Inc.                                      | 64,780            | 1,307,90   |
| Live Oak Bancshares, Inc.                                   | 110,051           | 5,213,11   |
| M&T Bank Corp. (B)(C)                                       | 63,774            | 11,359,42  |
| Metrocity Bankshares, Inc.                                  | 65,263            | 1,998,35   |
| Mid Penn Bancorp, Inc.                                      | 71,323            | 2,127,56   |
| MidWestOne Financial Group, Inc.                            | 133,914           | 3,820,56   |
| NBT Bancorp, Inc.   | 104,324           | 4,614,25   |
| Nicolet Bankshares, Inc. (B)(C)                             | 89,093            | 8,519,96   |
| Northrim BanCorp, Inc.                                      | 92,403            | 6,580,94   |
| Ohio Valley Banc Corp.                                      | 79,347            | 1,923,37   |
| Old National Bancorp (B)(C)                                 | 354,807           | 6,620,69   |
| Old Second Bancorp, Inc.                                    | 355,988           | 5,549,85   |
| OP Bancorp  | 170,717           | 2,130,54   |
| Orange County Bancorp, Inc.                                 | 43,740            | 2,638,39   |
| Orrstown Financial Services, Inc.                           | 87,425            | 3,143,80   |
| Pinnacle Financial Partners, Inc.                           | 106,530           | 10,436,74  |
| Plumas Bancorp  | 60,336            | 2,460,50   |
| Popular, Inc. (B)(C)  | 102,018           | 10,229,34  |
| Prime Meridian Holding Company                              | 125,087           | 3,033,36   |
| Private Bancorp of America, Inc. (A)                        | 116,752           | 5,253,84   |
| Provident Financial Holdings, Inc.                          | 98,335            | 1,411,10   |
| QCR Holdings, Inc.  | 74,384            | 5,506,64   |
| Red River Bancshares, Inc.                                  | 58,027            | 3,017,40   |
| Regions Financial Corp. (C)                                 | 449,183           | 10,479,43  |
| Renasant Corp.  | 188,029           | 6,110,94   |
| Riverview Bancorp, Inc.                                     | 330,361           | 1,556,00   |
| SB Financial Group, Inc.                                    | 257,156           | 5,287,12   |
| Shore Bancshares, Inc.                                      | 406,028           | 5,680,33   |
| Sierra Bancorp  | 163,038           | 4,708,53   |
| South Atlantic Bancshares, Inc.                             | 289,568           | 4,065,53   |
| South Adamic Bancorp, Inc.                                  | 104,786           | 5,919,36   |
| SouthState Corp. (B)(C)                                     | 83,765            |            |
| •   |                   | 8,140,28   |
| SpareBank 1 SR-Bank ASA<br>Stock Yards Bancorp, Inc. (B)(C) | 235,524<br>79,829 | 3,038,05   |

| Financials (continued)  | Shares  | Valu                                    |
|---|---------|---|
| Banks (continued)   |         |   |
| Synovus Financial Corp.   | 225,002 | \$10,005,83                             |
| The First Bancorp, Inc.   | 226,174 | 5,952,90                                |
| The First Bancshares, Inc.  | 181,973 | 5,846,79                                |
| The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. (C)  | 47,228  | 8,730,09                                |
| Timberland Bancorp, Inc.  | 113,266 | 3,427,42                                |
| TriCo Bancshares (B)(C)   | 190,923 | 8,142,86                                |
| Truist Financial Corp. (C)  | 186,098 | 7,959,41                                |
| U.S. Bancorp (C)  | 235,522 | 10,770,42                               |
| United BanCorp of Alabama, Inc., Class A (B)(C)   | 168,566 | 8,580,00                                |
| Virginia National Bankshares Corp.  | 82,690  | 3,444,03                                |
| Walden Mutual (A)(D)(E)   | 100,000 | 587,58                                  |
| Westamerica BanCorp   | 111,139 | 5,492,48                                |
| Western Alliance Bancorp  | 52,765  | 4,563,64                                |
| White River Bancshares Company (A)(D)(E)  | 119,478 | 3,653,63                                |
| White River Bancshares Company  |         |   |
| When the Bandhales Company WSFS Financial Corp.   | 14,262  | 406,46                                  |
| •   | 190,189 | 9,697,73                                |
| WTB Financial Corp., Class B  | 10,170  | 3,001,55                                |
| Zions Bancorp NA  | 223,170 | 10,538,08                               |
| Capital markets 8.2%  |         |   |
| AllianceBernstein Holding LP  | 109,258 | 3,812,01                                |
| Ares Management Corp., Class A (B)(C)   | 60,842  | 9,481,61                                |
| Brookfield Corp. (B)(C)   | 124,500 | 6,617,17                                |
| KKR & Company, Inc. (C)   | 77,831  | 10,163,17                               |
| Oaktree Specialty Lending Corp. (B)(C)  | 259,793 | 4,237,22                                |
| Onex Corp.  | 96,758  | 6,777,24                                |
| Sixth Street Specialty Lending, Inc. (B)(C)   | 228,214 | 4,685,23                                |
| The Carlyle Group, Inc. (B)(C)  | 169,666 | 7,305,81                                |
| Consumer finance 1.6%   |         |   |
| Discover Financial Services (C)   | 54,395  | 7,631,07                                |
| LendingClub Corp. (A)   | 260,870 | 2,981,74                                |
| Financial services 1.2%   |         |   |
| Eurazeo SE  | 94,463  | 7,770,76                                |
|   | 51,105  | ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, |
| Insurance 1.3%<br>Assured Guaranty, Ltd.  | 75.041  | 6 0 2 0 2 2                             |
|   | 75,941  | 6,038,82                                |
| Skyward Specialty Insurance Group, Inc. (A)   | 55,961  | 2,279,29                                |
| Mortgage real estate investment trusts 0.3%   |         |   |
| Blackstone Mortgage Trust, Inc., Class A  | 112,233 | 2,133,54                                |
| Real estate 0.5%  |         | 3,067,67                                |
| Health care REITs 0.5%  |         |   |
| Sila Realty Trust, Inc.   | 121,300 | 3,067,67                                |
| Preferred securities 5.7% (4.7% of Total investments)   |         | \$36,532,80                             |
| (Cost \$33,533,184)   |         |   |
| Financials 5.1%   |         | 33,137,59                               |
| Banks 5.1%  |         |   |
| Associated Banc-Corp, 6.625% (6.625% to 3-1-28, then 5 Year CMT + 2.812%) (C)                   | 100,000 | 2,474,00                                |
| Atlantic Union Bankshares Corp., 6.875%   | 142,754 | 3,494,61                                |
| Banc of California, Inc., 7.750% (7.750% to 9-1-27, then 5 Year CMT + 4.820%)                   | 90,000  | 2,160,00                                |
| CNB Financial Corp., 7.125% (B)(C)  | 75,200  | 1,858,19                                |
| Dime Community Bancshares, Inc., 9.000% (9.000% to 7-15-29, then Overnight SOFR + 4.951%)       | 80,000  | 2,176,00                                |
| sine community sensitives, inc., 5.000 /0 (5.000 /0 to 7 15 25, then Overnight SOFT + 4.551 /0) | 00,000  | 2,170,00                                |

|   |              |               | Shares     | Value         |
|---|--------------|---------------|------------|---------------|
| Financials (continued)  |              |               |            |               |
| Banks (continued)   |              |               | 10.000     | ** = ** = = = |
| First Merchants Corp., 7.500%   |              |               | 48,900     | \$1,244,505   |
| Midland States Bancorp, Inc., 7.750% (7.750% to 9-30-27, then 5 Year CMT + 4.713%)  |              |               | 83,275     | 2,087,704     |
| Northpointe Bancshares, Inc., 8.250% (8.250% to 12-30-25, then Overnight SOFR + 7.5 | 990%) (A)(G) |               | 160,000    | 3,661,168     |
| Pinnacle Financial Partners, Inc., 6.750% (B)(C)                                    |              |               | 42,975     | 1,048,160     |
| Synovus Financial Corp., 8.397% (5 Year CMT + 4.127%) (B)(C)(H)                     |              |               | 77,222     | 2,033,255     |
| Tectonic Financial, Inc., 12.100% (3 month LIBOR + 6.720%) (H)                      |              |               | 186,840    | 1,948,741     |
| United Community Banks, Inc., 6.875% (B)(C)   |              |               | 57,971     | 1,423,188     |
| WaFd, Inc., 4.875% (B)(C)   |              |               | 210,875    | 4,112,063     |
| Real estate 0.6%  |              |               |            | 3,395,207     |
| Diversified REITs 0.3%  |              |               |            |               |
| CTO Realty Growth, Inc., 6.375%   |              |               | 75,000     | 1,764,750     |
| Office REITS 0.3%   |              |               |            |               |
| Hudson Pacific Properties, Inc., 4.750%   |              |               | 118,838    | 1,630,457     |
|   | Rate (%)     | Maturity date | Par value^ | Value         |
| Corporate bonds 5.5% (4.5% of Total investments)                                    |              |               | . a. surac | \$35,268,212  |
| (Cost \$33,925,211)   |              |               |            |               |
| Financials 5.0%   |              |               |            | 32,452,759    |
| Banks 5.0%  |              |               |            |               |
| Ameris Bancorp (4.250% to 12-15-24, then 3 month CME Term SOFR + 2.940%)            | 4.250        | 12-15-29      | 2,000,000  | 1,960,000     |
| Banc of California, Inc. (4.375% to 10-30-25, then 3 month CME Term SOFR +          | 4.575        | 40.20.20      | 2 000 000  | 4 000 000     |
| 4.195%)   | 4.375        | 10-30-30      | 2,000,000  | 1,829,830     |
| Cadence Bank (4.125% to 11-20-24, then 3 month LIBOR + 2.470%)                      | 4.125        | 11-20-29      | 2,000,000  | 1,980,000     |
| Comerica, Inc. (5.625% to 10-1-25, then 5 Year CMT + 5.291%) (I)                    | 5.625        | 07-01-25      | 3,000,000  | 2,980,416     |
| Cullen/Frost Capital Trust II (3 month CME Term SOFR + 1.812%) (H)                  | 7.977        | 03-01-34      | 3,000,000  | 2,622,405     |
| First Financial Bancorp (5.250% to 5-15-25, then 3 month CME Term SOFR + 5.090%)    | 5.250        | 05-15-30      | 3,000,000  | 2,963,632     |
| Hometown Financial Group, Inc. (G)  | 8.750        | 03-15-27      | 3,500,000  | 3,583,336     |
| Horizon Bancorp, Inc. (5.625% to 7-1-25, then 3 month CME Term SOFR +               | 0.750        | 05 15 27      | 5,500,000  | 5,505,550     |
| 5.490%)   | 5.625        | 07-01-30      | 3,000,000  | 2,940,000     |
| ndependent Bank Group, Inc. (8.375% to 11-15-29, then 3 month CME Term              | 8.375        | 08-15-34      | 1 500 000  | 1 5 1 1 2 5 0 |
| SOFR + 4.605%)<br>M&T Bank Corp. (5.125% to 11-1-26, then 3 month CME Term SOFR +   | 8.375        | 08-15-34      | 1,500,000  | 1,511,250     |
| 3.782%) (I)   | 5.125        | 11-01-26      | 3,000,000  | 2,965,559     |
| QNB Corp. (8.875% to 9-1-29, then 3 month CME Term SOFR + 5.450%) (G)               | 8.875        | 09-01-34      | 2,250,000  | 2,289,780     |
| Trustmark Corp. (3.625% to 12-1-25, then 3 month CME Term SOFR + 3.387%)            | 3.625        | 12-01-30      | 1,000,000  | 892,210       |
| University Bancorp, Inc. (8.250% to 1-31-28, then 3 month CME Term SOFR +           |              |               |            |               |
| 4.870%) (G)   | 8.250        | 01-31-33      | 2,500,000  | 2,558,675     |
| WSFS Financial Corp. (3 month CME Term SOFR + 2.312%) (H)                           | 7.258        | 12-15-27      | 1,500,000  | 1,375,666     |
| Real estate 0.5%  |              |               |            | 2,815,453     |
| Retail REITS 0.5%   |              |               |            |               |
| The Necessity Retail REIT, Inc. (G)   | 4.500        | 09-30-28      | 3,000,000  | 2,815,453     |
| Convertible bonds 0.9% (0.8% of Total investments) (Cost \$5,711,985)               |              |               |            | \$6,061,463   |
| Financials 0.9%   |              |               |            | 6,061,463     |
| Mortgage real estate investment trusts 0.9%   |              |               |            | 0,001,403     |
| Blackstone Mortgage Trust, Inc.   | 5.500        | 03-15-27      | 2,000,000  | 1,895,000     |
|   | 3.300        | 55 .5 LI      | _,,        | .,000,000     |

|   | Rate (%) | Maturity date | Par value^ | Value    |
|---|----------|---------------|------------|----------|
| Certificate of deposit 0.0% (0.0% of Total investments) |          |               |            | \$84,819 |
| (Cost \$84,819)   |          |               |            |          |
| Country Bank for Savings                                | 4.000    | 08-28-26      | 2,196      | 2,196    |
| East Boston Savings Bank                                | 2.960    | 11-03-25      | 1,944      | 1,944    |
| Eastern Savings Bank                                    | 0.200    | 04-24-25      | 1,970      | 1,970    |
| First Bank Richmond NA (E)                              | 3.500    | 12-05-25      | 22,466     | 22,466   |
| First Federal Savings Bank                              | 2.500    | 01-09-25      | 3,073      | 3,073    |
| First National Bank                                     | 0.400    | 06-17-26      | 1,379      | 1,379    |
| First Savings Bank of Perkasie                          | 0.747    | 04-07-25      | 5,201      | 5,201    |
| Home National Bank                                      | 5.100    | 11-06-24      | 22,034     | 22,034   |
| Hudson United Bank                                      | 4.250    | 04-24-25      | 2,296      | 2,296    |
| Machias Savings Bank                                    | 1.000    | 05-30-25      | 2,044      | 2,044    |
| Midstates Bank NA                                       | 0.520    | 06-03-25      | 2,077      | 2,077    |
| Milford Federal Savings and Loan Bank                   | 4.409    | 10-29-24      | 2,081      | 2,081    |
| Mt. McKinley Bank                                       | 0.500    | 12-02-24      | 1,752      | 1,752    |
| MutualOne Bank  | 1.300    | 09-11-25      | 4,309      | 4,309    |
| Newburyport Five Cents Savings Bank                     | 0.300    | 10-18-24      | 2,183      | 2,183    |
| Newtown Savings Bank                                    | 3.920    | 06-03-25      | 2,006      | 2,006    |
| Salem Five Bancorp                                      | 0.250    | 12-19-24      | 1,757      | 1,757    |
| Sunshine Federal Savings and Loan Association           | 0.500    | 05-12-25      | 2,108      | 2,108    |
| The Milford Bank  | 0.100    | 06-12-25      | 1,943      | 1,943    |
|   |          | Yield (%)     | Shares     | Value    |

|   | field (%) | Snares | value       |
|---|-----------|--------|-------------|
| Short-term investments 0.3% (0.3% of Total investments) |           |        | \$2,026,470 |
| (Cost \$2,026,313)                                      |           |        |             |

| (COSL \$2,020,515)    |  |
|-----------------------|--|
| Short-term funds 0.3% |  |

|           |           | 2,020,470         |
|-----------|-----------|-------------------|
| 4.8110(K) | 202,594   | 2,026,470         |
|           |           | \$772,385,573     |
|           |           | (125,440,452)     |
|           |           | \$646,945,121     |
|           | 4.8110(K) | 4.8110(K) 202,594 |

The percentage shown for each investment category is the total value of the category as a percentage of the net assets of the fund unless otherwise indicated. ^All par values are denominated in U.S. dollars unless otherwise indicated.

#### Security Abbreviations and Legend

- CME CME Group Published Rates
- CMT Constant Maturity Treasury
- LIBOR London Interbank Offered Rate

SOFR Secured Overnight Financing Rate

- (A) Non-income producing security.
- (B) All or a portion of this security is on loan as of 9-30-24, and is a component of the fund's leverage under the Liquidity Agreement. The value of securities on loan amounted to \$73,816,708.
- (C) All or a portion of this security is pledged as collateral pursuant to the Liquidity Agreement. Total collateral value at 9-30-24 was \$184,889,085.
- (D) Restricted security as to resale, excluding 144A securities. For more information on this security refer to the Notes to fund's investments.
- (E) Security is valued using significant unobservable inputs and is classified as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy.
- (F) The fund owns 5% or more of the outstanding voting shares of the issuer and the security is considered an affiliate of the fund. For more information on this security refer to the Notes to fund's investments.
- (G) This security is exempt from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933. Such securities may be resold, normally to qualified institutional buyers, in transactions exempt from registration.
- (H) Variable rate obligation. The coupon rate shown represents the rate at period end.
- (I) Perpetual bonds have no stated maturity date. Date shown as maturity date is next call date.
- (J) Investment is an affiliate of the fund, the advisor and/or subadvisor.
- (K) The rate shown is the annualized seven-day yield as of 9-30-24.

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#### DERIVATIVES

#### SWAPS

#### Interest rate swaps

| Counterparty (OTC)/<br>Centrally cleared | Notional<br>amount | Currency | Payments<br>made | Payments<br>received                   | Fixed<br>payment<br>frequency | Floating<br>payment<br>frequency | Maturity<br>date | Unamortized<br>upfront<br>payment<br>paid<br>(received) | Unrealized<br>appreciation<br>(depreciation) | Value       |
|--|--------------------|----------|------------------|--|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------|---|--|-------------|
| Centrally cleared                        | 10,000,000         | USD      | Fixed 3.874%     | USD SOFR Compounded OIS <sup>(a)</sup> | Semi-Annual                   | Quarterly                        | Dec 2026         | _   | \$(210,867)                                  | \$(210,867) |
| Centrally cleared                        | 10,000,000         | USD      | Fixed 3.356%     | USD SOFR Compounded OIS <sup>(a)</sup> | Semi-Annual                   | Quarterly                        | May 2028         | _   | (89,361)                                     | (89,361)    |
| Centrally cleared                        | 5,000,000          | USD      | Fixed 4.181%     | USD SOFR Compounded OIS <sup>(a)</sup> | Semi-Annual                   | Quarterly                        | Jul 2029         | _   | (195,187)                                    | (195,187)   |
| Centrally cleared                        | 15,000,000         | USD      | Fixed 1.220%     | USD SOFR Compounded OIS <sup>(a)</sup> | Semi-Annual                   | Quarterly                        | Mar 2030         | \$(3,569)   | 1,767,850                                    | 1,764,281   |
| Centrally cleared                        | 25,000,000         | USD      | Fixed 1.136%     | USD SOFR Compounded OIS <sup>(a)</sup> | Semi-Annual                   | Quarterly                        | Mar 2030         | (5,702)   | 3,047,489                                    | 3,041,787   |
| Centrally cleared                        | 25,000,000         | USD      | Fixed 1.077%     | USD SOFR Compounded OIS <sup>(a)</sup> | Semi-Annual                   | Quarterly                        | Mar 2030         | (5,604)   | 3,118,724                                    | 3,113,120   |
|  |                    |          |                  |  |                               |                                  |                  | \$(14.875)  | \$7,438,648                                  | \$7,423,773 |

<sup>(a)</sup> At 9-30-24, the overnight SOFR was 4.960%.

#### **Derivatives Currency Abbreviations**

USD U.S. Dollar

#### **Derivatives Abbreviations**

- OIS Overnight Index Swap
- OTC Over-the-counter

SOFR Secured Overnight Financing Rate

## Notes to Fund's investments (unaudited)

Security valuation. Investments are stated at value as of the scheduled close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), normally at 4:00 P.M., Eastern Time. In case of emergency or other disruption resulting in the NYSE not opening for trading or the NYSE closing at a time other than the regularly scheduled close, the net asset value (NAV) may be determined as of the regularly scheduled close of the NYSE pursuant to the Valuation Policies and Procedures of the Advisor, John Hancock Investment Management LLC.

In order to value the securities, the fund uses the following valuation techniques: Equity securities, including exchange-traded or closed-end funds, are typically valued at the last sale price or official closing price on the exchange or principal market where the security trades. In the event there were no sales during the day or closing prices are not available, the securities are valued using the last available bid price. Investments by the fund in open-end mutual funds, including John Hancock Collateral Trust (JHCT), are valued at their respective NAVs each business day. Debt obligations are typically valued based on evaluated prices provided by an independent pricing vendor. Independent pricing vendors utilize matrix pricing, which takes into account factors such as institutional-size trading in similar groups of securities, yield, quality, coupon rate, maturity, type of issue, trading characteristics and other market data, as well as broker supplied prices. Swaps are generally valued using evaluated prices obtained from an independent pricing vendor. Foreign securities and currencies are valued in U.S. dollars based on foreign currency exchange rates supplied by an independent pricing vendor.

In certain instances, the Pricing Committee of the Advisor may determine to value equity securities using prices obtained from another exchange or market if trading on the exchange or market on which prices are typically obtained did not open for trading as scheduled, or if trading closed earlier than scheduled, and trading occurred as normal on another exchange or market.

Other portfolio securities and assets, for which reliable market quotations are not readily available, are valued at fair value as determined in good faith by the Pricing Committee following procedures established by the Advisor and adopted by the Board of Trustees. The frequency with which these fair valuation procedures are used cannot be predicted and fair value of securities may differ significantly from the value that would have been used had a ready market for such securities existed. Trading in foreign securities may be completed before the scheduled daily close of trading on the NYSE. Significant events at the issuer or market level may affect the values of securities between the time when the valuation of the securities is generally determined and the close of the NYSE. If a significant event occurs, these securities may be fair valued, as determined in good faith by the Pricing Committee, following procedures established by the Advisor and adopted by the Board of Trustees. The Advisor uses fair value adjustment factors provided by an independent pricing vendor to value certain foreign securities in order to adjust for events that may occur between the close of foreign exchanges or markets and the close of the NYSE.

The fund uses a three tier hierarchy to prioritize the pricing assumptions, referred to as inputs, used in valuation techniques to measure fair value. Level 1 includes securities valued using quoted prices in active markets for identical securities, including registered investment companies. Level 2 includes securities valued using other significant observable inputs. Observable inputs may include quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds and credit risk. Prices for securities valued using these inputs are received from independent pricing vendors and brokers and are based on an evaluation of the inputs described. Level 3 includes securities valued using significant unobservable inputs when market prices are not readily available or reliable, including the Advisor's assumptions in determining the fair value of investments. Factors used in determining value may include market or issuer specific events or trends, changes in interest rates and credit quality. The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risks associated with investing in those securities. Changes in valuation techniques and related inputs may result in transfers into or out of an assigned level within the disclosure hierarchy.

The following is a summary of the values by input classification of the fund's investments as of September 30, 2024, by major security category or type:

|  | Total<br>value at<br>9-30-24 | Level 1<br>quoted<br>price | Level 2<br>significant<br>observable<br>inputs | Level 3<br>significant<br>unobservable<br>inputs |
|--|------------------------------|----------------------------|--|--|
| Investments in securities:             |                              |                            |  |  |
| Assets                                 |                              |                            |  |  |
| Common stocks                          |                              |                            |  |  |
| Financials                             |                              |                            |  |  |
| Banks                                  | \$607,429,378                | \$595,445,069              | \$3,038,054                                    | \$8,946,255                                      |
| Capital markets                        | 53,079,496                   | 53,079,496                 | _  |  |
| Consumer finance                       | 10,612,819                   | 10,612,819                 | _  |  |
| Financial services                     | 7,770,769                    | _                          | 7,770,769                                      |  |
| Insurance                              | 8,318,120                    | 8,318,120                  | _  |  |
| Mortgage real estate investment trusts | 2,133,549                    | 2,133,549                  | _  |  |
| Real estate                            |                              |                            |  |  |
| Health care REITs                      | 3,067,677                    | 3,067,677                  | _  |  |
| Preferred securities                   |                              |                            |  |  |
| Financials                             |                              |                            |  |  |
| Banks                                  | 33,137,594                   | 26,060,426                 | 3,661,168                                      | 3,416,000  |
| Real estate                            |                              |                            |  |  |
| Diversified REITs                      | 1,764,750                    | 1,764,750                  |  |  |
| Office REITs                           | 1,630,457                    | 1,630,457                  | _  | _  |

|                                 | Total<br>value at<br>9-30-24 | Level 1<br>quoted<br>price | Level 2<br>significant<br>observable<br>inputs | Level 3<br>significant<br>unobservable<br>inputs |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|--|--|
| (continued)                     |                              |                            |  |  |
| Corporate bonds                 | \$35,268,212                 | _                          | \$35,268,212                                   | _  |
| Convertible bonds               | 6,061,463                    |                            | 6,061,463                                      | _  |
| Certificate of deposit          | 84,819                       | _                          | 62,353   | \$22,466   |
| Short-term investments          | 2,026,470                    | \$2,026,470                |  |  |
| Total investments in securities | \$772,385,573                | \$704,138,833              | \$55,862,019                                   | \$12,384,721                                     |
| Derivatives:                    |                              |                            |  |  |
| Assets                          |                              |                            |  |  |
| Swap contracts                  | \$7,919,188                  | _                          | \$7,919,188                                    |  |
| Liabilities                     |                              |                            |  |  |
| Swap contracts                  | (495,415)                    | _                          | (495,415)                                      |  |
|                                 |                              |                            |  |  |

The following is a reconciliation of Level 3 assets for which significant unobservable inputs were used to determine fair value. Transfers into or out of Level 3, if any, represent the beginning value of any security or instrument where a change in the level has occurred from the beginning to the end of the period and in all cases were transferred into or out of Level 2.

|   | Common<br>stocks | Preferred<br>securities | Certificate<br>of deposit | Total        |
|---|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| Balance as of 12-31-23  | \$ 4,896,959     | \$ 3,357,196            | \$ 26,371                 | \$ 8,280,526 |
| Realized gain (loss)  |                  |                         | _                         |              |
| Change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)                            | 763,651          | 58,804                  | —                         | 822,455      |
| Purchases   | 3,285,645        | —                       | _                         | 3,285,645    |
| Sales   | _                | _                       | (3,905)                   | (3,905)      |
| Transfers into Level 3  | —                | —                       | —                         | _            |
| Transfers out of Level 3  | —                | _                       | —                         | _            |
| Balance as of 9-30-24   | \$8,946,255      | \$3,416,000             | \$22,466                  | \$12,384,721 |
| Change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) at period end <sup>1</sup> | \$ 763,651       | \$ 58,804               | _                         | \$ 822,455   |

<sup>1</sup> Change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) attributable to Level 3 securities held at period end.

The valuation techniques and significant amounts of unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement of the fund's Level 3 securities are outlined in the table below.

|                        | Fair Value<br>at 9-30-24 | Valuation technique              | Significant<br>unobservable inputs                            | Input/Range*              | Input weighted average* |
|------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|---|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Common<br>stocks       | \$8,946,255              | Market Comparable                | Price/Book Value multiple<br>Discount                         | 0.85x - 1.00x<br>6% - 18% | 0.94x<br>7.3%           |
| Preferred securities   | \$3,416,000              | Bond Comparable                  | Benchmark Option Adjusted Spread (OAS)<br>Implied OAS premium | 7.78<br>14.49%            | 7.78<br>14.49%          |
| Certificate of deposit | \$22,466                 | Transactions Indicative of Value | Prior/recent transactions                                     | \$100                     | \$100                   |

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Total $12,384,721
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\*A weighted average is an average in which each input in the grouping is assigned a weighting before summing to a single average value. The weighting of the input is determined based on a security's fair value as a percentage of the total fair value.

A change to unobservable inputs of the fund's Level 3 securities as of September 30, 2024 could have resulted in changes to the fair value measurement, as follows:

| Significant Unobservable Input         | Impact to Valuation<br>if input had increased | Impact to Valuation<br>if input had decreased |
|--|---|---|
| Benchmark Option Adjusted Spread (OAS) | Increase                                      | Decrease                                      |
| Discount                               | Decrease                                      | Increase                                      |
| Implied OAS premium                    | Increase                                      | Decrease                                      |
| Price/Book Value multiple              | Increase                                      | Decrease                                      |

| Significant Unobservable Input | Impact to Valuation<br>if input had increased | Impact to Valuation<br>if input had decreased |
|--------------------------------|---|---|
| Prior/recent transactions      | Increase                                      | Decrease                                      |

**Investment in affiliated underlying funds.** The fund may invest in affiliated underlying funds that are managed by the Advisor and its affiliates. Information regarding the fund's fiscal year to date purchases and sales of the affiliated underlying funds as well as income and capital gains earned by the fund, if any, is as follows:

|  |                           | Dividends and distrib |                   |                                 |                            | istributions  |                                     |   |                 |
|--|---------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|---|-----------------|
| Affiliate                              | Ending<br>share<br>amount | Beginning<br>value    | Cost of purchases | Proceeds<br>from shares<br>sold | Realized<br>gain<br>(loss) | Change in<br>unrealized<br>appreciation<br>(depreciation) | Income<br>distributions<br>received | Capital gain<br>distributions<br>received | Ending<br>value |
| John<br>Hancock<br>Collateral<br>Trust | 202,594                   | \$4,353,721           | \$80,177,885      | \$(82,508,411)                  | \$2,836                    | \$439   | \$178,686                           | _   | \$2,026,470     |

**Restricted securities.** The fund may hold restricted securities which are restricted as to resale and the fund has limited rights to registration under the Securities Act of 1933. Disposal may involve time-consuming negotiations and expenses, and prompt sale at an acceptable price may be difficult to achieve. The following table summarizes the restricted securities held at September 30, 2024:

| lssuer,<br>Description         | Original acquisition date | Acquisition<br>cost | Beginning<br>share<br>amount | Shares<br>purchased | Shares<br>sold | Ending<br>share<br>amount | Value as a<br>percentage of<br>net assets | Ending<br>value |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|---------------------------|---|-----------------|
| Bremer Financial Corp.         | 10-25-19                  | \$5,000,040         | 41,667                       | —                   | _              | 41,667                    | 0.7%                                      | \$ 4,705,038    |
| Walden Mutual                  | 9-1-22                    | 1,000,000           | 100,000                      |                     | _              | 100,000                   | 0.1%                                      | 587,580         |
| White River Bancshares Company | 4-26-24                   | 3,285,645           | _                            | 59,739              | _              | 119,478 <sup>1</sup>      | 0.6%                                      | 3,653,637       |
|                                |                           |                     |                              |                     |                |                           |   | \$8,946,255     |

#### <sup>1</sup> Two-for-one stock split.

**Transactions in securities of affiliated issuers.** Affiliated issuers, as defined by the 1940 Act, are those in which the fund's holdings of an issuer represent 5% or more of the outstanding voting securities of the issuer. A summary of the fund's transactions in the securities of these issuers during the period ended September 30, 2024, is set forth below:

|                                     |                           | Beginning<br>value | Cost of<br>purchases | Proceeds<br>from shares<br>sold | Realized<br>gain<br>(loss) |   | Dividends and distributions         |   |                 |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|---|-----------------|
| Affiliate                           | Ending<br>share<br>amount |                    |                      |                                 |                            | Change in<br>unrealized<br>appreciation<br>(depreciation) | Income<br>distributions<br>received | Capital gain<br>distributions<br>received | Ending<br>value |
| Community Heritage Financial, Inc.* | 141,197                   | \$2,329,751        | _                    | —                               | _                          | \$ 635,386  | \$ 25,415                           | _   | \$ 2,965,137    |
| First Reliance Bancshares, Inc.     | 426,454                   | \$3,654,711        |                      | _                               | _                          | 669,533   | _                                   | _   | 4,324,244       |
|                                     |                           |                    |                      |                                 | _                          | \$1,304,919   | \$25,415                            | _   | \$7,289,381     |

\* The security was not an affiliate at the beginning or end of the period.

For additional information on the fund's significant accounting policies and risks, please refer to the fund's most recent semiannual or annual shareholder report and prospectus.