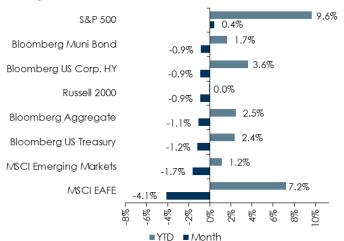
Market Snapshot May 31, 2023

Economic Overview

- Concerns over the US debt ceiling dominated headlines, though a deal was in place and advancing through Congress by month-end
- The US Fed increased the policy rate by 25 bps, while messaging from Fed Chairman Powell suggested the potential for a pause ahead
- CPI fell to an annual increase of 4.9%, marginally less than estimated, however core PCE, the Fed's preferred gauge, rose from 4.6% to 4.7%

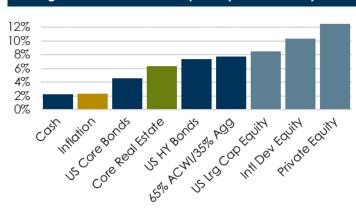
Market Returns

- Most equity markets fell; mega-cap tech outperformed
- Rising rates hurt bond returns



Source: Bloomberg, ACG Research (as of 5/31/2023)

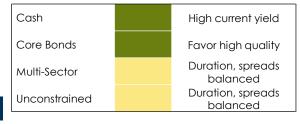
Average Annual Return Assumptions (Next 10 Years)



Asset Class Valuations - Rebalancing Rationale

- Equities currently priced for a mild recession
- Favor core bonds (US Treasuries) over high yield
- Cash remains attractive with yields around 5%

| Asset Class | Current Valuation | Rationale |
|-----------------|----------------------|--|
| US Large Cap | | Balanced upside/downside risks |
| US Small Cap | | Balanced upside/downside risks |
| Int'l Developed | | Favorable valuations, currency tailwinds |
| Emerging Mkt | | Balanced upside/downside risks |



| Core Real Estate | | Historically low (but rising) cap rates |
|------------------|-------------|---|
| | | |
| Overvalued | Eairly Valu | Undervalued |

Recent Articles (click on links below)

US Banking System & the Economy (May)
Covid – Three-Year Update (March)
China Reopening (January)

Key Risk Factors We Are Watching

- Inflation and labor market data
- Tightening financial conditions
- Fed policy mistake

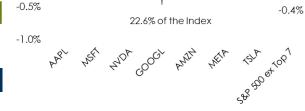
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- Downward revisions to corporate earnings
- Ongoing geopolitical tensions
- Weaker than expected China recovery

Tech Performance Drives S&P 500 YTD Gains





Source: Morningstar (as of 5/31/23)

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