Prospectus

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Bitwise Bitcoin Option Income Strategy ETF (IBTB)

Bitwise BITQ Option Income Strategy ETF (IBQ)

Bitwise Ethereum Option Income Strategy ETF (IETH)

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Each of the funds set forth above (each, a "Fund," and together, the "Funds") is a series of Bitwise Funds Trust (the "Trust") and an exchange-traded fund ("ETF"). Each Fund lists and principally trades its shares on NYSE Arca, Inc. ("NYSE Arca" or the "Exchange").

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Bitwise Bitcoin Option Income Strategy ETF

Investment Objective

The Fund's primary investment objective is to provide current income. The Fund's secondary investment objective is to provide exposure to the price return of one or more exchange-traded products that hold bitcoin, subject to a limit on potential investment gains.

Fees and Expenses of the Fund

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the Fund ("Fund Shares"). You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and example below.

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)

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Management Fees	0.95%
Distribution and Service (12b-1) Fees	0.00%
Other Expenses ⁽¹⁾	0.00%
Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses ⁽¹⁾	0.02%
Total Fund Operating Expenses	0.97%

^{(1) &}quot;Other Expenses" and "Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses" are estimates based on the expenses the Fund expects to incur for the current fiscal year.

Example

This example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other funds. The example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year, and that the Fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions, your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3
\$99	\$309

Portfolio Turnover

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the example, affect the Fund's performance. Because the Fund has not yet commenced operations, portfolio turnover information is unavailable at this time.

Principal Investment Strategies

The Fund is an actively managed ETF that seeks to provide current income while providing exposure to the share price (*i.e.*, the price returns) of one or more exchange-traded products that hold bitcoin (each, a "Bitcoin ETP," and together, the "Bitcoin ETPs"), subject to a limit on potential investment gains. The Fund seeks to achieve these investment objectives through the use of a synthetic covered call strategy. The Fund seeks to provide its synthetic exposure to the price return of the Bitcoin ETP(s) through the purchase and sale of a combination of call and put option contracts that utilize a Bitcoin ETP or an index of Bitcoin ETPs (a "Bitcoin ETP Index") as the reference asset ("Bitcoin ETP Call Options" and "Bitcoin ETP Call Options," respectively, and together, "Bitcoin ETP Options"). The Fund will also sell Bitcoin ETP Call Options in seeking to provide income in the form of option premiums. However, the sale of Bitcoin ETP Call Options to generate income will also limit the degree to which the Fund will participate in investment gains experienced by the Bitcoin ETP(s). **The Fund does not invest directly in bitcoin**.

The Fund will invest at least 80% of its net assets plus borrowings in Bitcoin ETP Options. For purposes of compliance with this investment policy, derivative contracts will be valued at their notional value.

The Fund will determine whether to utilize Bitcoin ETP Options that use a Bitcoin ETP or a Bitcoin ETP Index as the reference asset based upon a range of factors, including, but not limited to, whether it is seeking exposure to the performance of a single Bitcoin ETP or the aggregate performance of a group of Bitcoin ETPs, the liquidity of the various Bitcoin ETP Options and Bitcoin ETP Option position limits.

In implementing its investment strategy, the Fund will invest in traditional exchange-traded options contracts and/or FLexible EXchange® options ("FLEX Options") that utilize a Bitcoin ETP or Bitcoin ETP Index as the reference asset. The Fund will only invest in options contracts that are listed for trading on regulated U.S. exchanges. Traditional exchange-traded options have standardized terms, such as the type (call or put), the reference asset, the strike price and expiration date. Exchange-listed options contracts are guaranteed for settlement by the Options Clearing Corporation ("OCC"). FLEX Options are a type of exchange-listed options contract with uniquely customizable terms that allow investors to customize key terms like type, strike price and expiration date that are standardized in a typical options contract. FLEX Options are also guaranteed for settlement by the OCC. It is anticipated that the Fund will invest primarily in FLEX Options. The FLEX Options held by the Fund may be either physical or cash settled.

In general, an option is a contract that gives the purchaser (holder) of the option, in return for a premium, the right to buy from (call) or sell to (put) the seller (writer) of the option the asset underlying the option (in this case, a Bitcoin ETP or a Bitcoin ETP Index) at a specified exercise price. The writer of an option has the obligation upon exercise of the option to deliver the underlying reference asset upon payment of the exercise price (call) or to pay the exercise price upon delivery of the underlying reference asset (put). The Fund may utilize both European and American style options. An option is said to be "European Style" when it can be exercised only at expiration whereas an "American Style" option can be exercised at any time prior to expiration.

In a traditional covered call strategy, an investor (such as the Fund) sells a call option on a security it already owns. However, the Fund will derive its exposure to the Bitcoin ETP(s) through the use of Bitcoin ETP Options. It is this distinction that causes the Fund's strategy to be properly termed as a

"synthetic covered call strategy," as opposed to a traditional covered call strategy, because the Fund primarily has synthetic exposure to the Bitcoin ETP(s). The Fund's synthetic exposure to the Bitcoin ETP(s) is achieved through the combination of purchasing Bitcoin ETP Call Options and selling Bitcoin ETP Put Options generally at the same strike price, which synthetically creates the upside and downside participation in the price returns of the Bitcoin ETP(s). The Fund will primarily gain exposure to increases in value experienced by the Bitcoin ETP(s) through the purchase of Bitcoin ETP Call Options. As a buyer of these options, the Fund pays a premium to the seller of the options. The Fund will primarily gain exposure to decreases in value experienced by the Bitcoin ETP(s) through the sale of Bitcoin ETP Put Options. As the seller of these options, the Fund receives a premium from the buyer of the options. In combination, the purchased Bitcoin ETP Call Options and sold Bitcoin ETP Put Options generally provide exposure to price returns of the Bitcoin ETP(s) both on the upside and downside. The Fund intends to continuously maintain exposure to the Bitcoin ETP(s) through the use of Bitcoin ETP Options. When such options expire or are exercised, the Fund will enter into new options. This is a practice referred to as "rolling." The Fund's practice of rolling options may result in higher levels of portfolio turnover.

As the primary means by which the Fund intends to generate income, the Fund will sell Bitcoin ETP Call Options at a strike price that is expected to be approximately between 0% and 15% above the thencurrent share price of a Bitcoin ETP. It is important to note that the sale of these Bitcoin ETP Call Options to generate income will limit the Fund's ability to participate in increases in value of a Bitcoin ETP's share price beyond a certain point. If the share price of a Bitcoin ETP increases, the above-referenced synthetic long exposure would allow the Fund to experience similar percentage gains. However, if a Bitcoin ETP's share price appreciates in value beyond the strike price of one or more of the Bitcoin ETP Call Options that the Fund has sold to generate income, the Fund will lose money on those short call positions, and the losses will, in turn, limit the upside return of the Fund's synthetic long exposure. As a result, the Fund's overall strategy (i.e., the combination of the synthetic long exposure to the Bitcoin ETP(s) and the sold Bitcoin ETP Call Options) will limit the Fund's participation in gains of a Bitcoin ETP's share price beyond a certain point. This strategy effectively converts a portion of the potential upside price return growth of the Bitcoin ETP(s) into current income. Such income may be less than the upside return of the Bitcoin ETP(s). It is expected that the call options the Fund sells to generate options premiums will generally have expirations of approximately one year or less and will be held to or close to expiration.

In addition to the options contracts, the Fund will also invest in cash and short-term U.S. Treasury securities, which will serve to collateralize the Fund's Bitcoin ETP Options and provide additional income. The market value of the cash and short-term U.S. Treasury securities held by the Fund is expected to be between 50% and 100% of the Fund's net assets and the market value of the options package is expected to be between 0% and 50% of the Fund's net assets. In terms of notional value, the combination of these investment instruments provides indirect investment exposure to the Bitcoin ETP(s) equal to at least 100% of the Fund's total assets.

The Fund is classified as "non-diversified" under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act").

It is critical that investors understand the following:

1. An investment in the Fund is not an investment in a Bitcoin ETP.

- 2. The Fund's strategy is subject to all potential losses if shares of Bitcoin ETPs decrease in value, which may not be offset by income received by the Fund.
- 3. The Fund does not invest directly in shares of a Bitcoin ETP.

The Fund will determine whether to utilize Bitcoin ETP Options that use a Bitcoin ETP or a Bitcoin ETP Index as the reference asset based upon a range of factors, including, but not limited to, whether it is seeking exposure to the performance of a single Bitcoin ETP or the aggregate performance of a group of Bitcoin ETPs, the liquidity of the various Bitcoin ETP Options and Bitcoin ETP Option position limits.

Additional Information About the Bitcoin ETPs

The Bitcoin ETPs are organized as Delaware statutory trusts, issuing shares that represent fractional, undivided beneficial interests in their respective net assets, which consist almost exclusively of bitcoin. Each Bitcoin ETP aims to closely track bitcoin's price performance. These Bitcoin ETPs are not registered as investment companies under the 1940 Act. Additionally, their sponsors are not registered with the SEC as investment advisers and, therefore, are not subject to SEC regulation in that capacity regarding their activities related to managing the Bitcoin ETPs. Moreover, the Bitcoin ETPs are not classified as commodity pools under the Commodity Exchange Act of 1936, as amended (the "CEA"), and consequently, the sponsors are not regulated by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the "CFTC") as commodity pool operators or commodity trading advisors with respect to their operation of the Bitcoin ETPs.

The underlying issuers of Bitcoin ETPs are registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") and are subject to the informational requirements of the Exchange Act. Information provided to or filed with the SEC by the underlying issuer of a Bitcoin ETP pursuant to the Exchange Act, including financial reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding Bitcoin ETPs, can be located through the SEC's website at www.sec.gov.

In particular, the Fund expects to have significant exposure to the Bitwise Bitcoin ETF ("BITB"), a Bitcoin ETP. BITB's shares are listed on the NYSE Arca, Inc. under the ticker symbol "BITB." BITB's investment objective is to seek to provide exposure to the value of bitcoin held by the Trust, less the expenses of BITB's operations and other liabilities. Bitwise Investment Advisers, LLC, an affiliate of the Fund's investment adviser, serves as the sponsor to BITB.

Additional Information about the Bitcoin ETP Index

The Cboe Bitcoin U.S. ETF Index (CBTX) is a modified market capitalization-weighted index that is designed to track the performance of a basket of Bitcoin ETPs listed on U.S. exchanges. Cboe Bitcoin U.S. ETF Index Options are cash-settled, European style index options based on the Cboe Bitcoin U.S. ETF Index. Similarly, the Cboe Mini Bitcoin U.S. ETF Index (MBTX) Options are cash-settled, European style index options based on the Cboe Mini Bitcoin U.S. ETF Index that are designed to be 1/10th the size of the standard CBTX options contract.

Principal Risks

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. The order of the risk factors set forth below does not indicate the significance of any particular risk factor.

Market Risk. Market risk is the risk that a particular investment, or Fund Shares in general, may fall in value. Securities are subject to market fluctuations caused by real or perceived adverse economic, political, and regulatory factors or market developments, changes in interest rates, disruptions to trade, impositions of tariffs and perceived trends in securities prices. Fund Shares could decline in value or underperform other investments. In addition, local, regional or global events such as war, acts of terrorism, market manipulation, government defaults, government shutdowns, regulatory actions, political changes, diplomatic developments, the imposition of sanctions and other similar measures, spread of infectious diseases or other public health issues, recessions, natural disasters or other events could have a significant negative impact on the Fund and its investments. Any of such circumstances could have a materially negative impact on the value of Fund Shares, the liquidity of an investment and may result in increased market volatility. During any such events, Fund Shares may trade at increased premiums or discounts to their net asset value, the bid/ask spread on Fund Shares may widen and the returns on investment may fluctuate.

Covered Call Strategy Risk. A covered call strategy involves writing (selling) covered call options in return for the receipt of premiums. The seller of the option gives up the opportunity to benefit from price increases in the underlying instrument above the exercise price of the options but continues to bear the risk of underlying instrument price declines. The premiums received from the options may not be sufficient to offset any losses sustained from underlying instrument price declines over time. As a result, the risks associated with writing covered call options may be similar to the risks associated with writing put options. Exchanges may suspend the trading of options during periods of abnormal market volatility. Suspension of trading may mean that an option seller is unable to sell options at a time that may be desirable or advantageous to do so.

The covered call strategy utilized by the Fund is "synthetic" because the Fund's exposure to the price return of the Bitcoin ETP(s) is derived through options exposure, rather than direct holdings of the shares of the Bitcoin ETP(s). Because such exposure is synthetic, it is possible that the Fund's participation in the price return of the Bitcoin ETP(s) may not be as precise as if the Fund were directly holding shares of the Bitcoin ETP(s).

Bitcoin ETP Risks. The Fund will have significant exposure to the Bitcoin ETPs through its utilization of Bitcoin ETP Options. Accordingly, the Fund will be subject to the risks of the Bitcoin ETPs set forth below.

<u>Bitcoin Risk</u>. Bitcoin remains a volatile and evolving asset subject to significant market fluctuations, uncertainty and speculative investment interest. Although increased institutional adoption and regulatory clarity have recently improved market stability and broader acceptance, the value of bitcoin continues to be influenced substantially by market sentiment, speculative demand and macroeconomic factors rather than traditional fundamental analysis alone. The further development and sustained acceptance of the Bitcoin network are dependent on a variety

of complex factors, including technological advancements, regulatory developments, institutional participation and broader public adoption. While regulatory oversight of bitcoin and related digital assets has notably increased, particularly in jurisdictions like the United States and Europe, the global regulatory landscape remains fragmented. Sudden or significant regulatory actions—including new legislation, enforcement actions against key market participants, or policy shifts—can still materially impact bitcoin's valuation and liquidity. Bitcoin markets remain susceptible to manipulation, fraud, theft, cybersecurity incidents and operational disruptions, especially on trading platforms that lack robust regulatory oversight or proper cybersecurity standards. Furthermore, a significant concentration of bitcoin holdings among a limited number of large holders, often referred to as "whales," continues to pose risks of price volatility or manipulation through coordinated transactions. Technological risks remain inherent in bitcoin and its underlying blockchain network. While advancements such as Layer 2 scaling solutions (e.g., the Lightning Network) have made meaningful progress toward addressing scalability and usability concerns, these technologies are still evolving and carry risks of technical vulnerabilities, hacking and operational failures that may undermine confidence or negatively affect bitcoin's value. The potential for blockchain forks—where disagreements among developers and stakeholders lead to competing blockchains—continues to exist. Although fewer contentious forks have occurred in recent times, such events could reoccur, introducing market confusion, diluting value or weakening confidence in the Bitcoin blockchain. Competition from alternative blockchain networks and digital assets remains strong. Networks like Ethereum and other blockchain platforms with smart contract capabilities, privacy features or superior scalability may attract broader adoption, thereby reducing bitcoin's relative attractiveness or limiting its potential as an alternative payment system or digital store of value. Any of these risks, individually or collectively, could materially and adversely affect the acceptance and market value of bitcoin, consequently impacting the value of shares in Bitcoin ETPs or related investment products.

<u>Custody Risk</u>. Security breaches, computer malware and computer hacking attacks have been a prevalent concern in relation to digital assets. The bitcoin held by the Bitcoin ETPs' custodian will likely be an appealing target to hackers or malware distributors seeking to destroy, damage or steal the Bitcoin ETPs' bitcoins. To the extent that the Bitcoin ETPs and their service providers are unable to identify and mitigate or stop new security threats or otherwise adapt to technological changes in the digital asset industry, a Bitcoin ETP's bitcoins may be subject to theft, loss, destruction or other attack. The Bitcoin ETPs have put security procedures in place to prevent such theft, loss or destruction, including but not limited to, offline storage, or cold storage, multiple encrypted private key "shards," and other measures. Nevertheless, the security procedures cannot guarantee the prevention of any loss due to a security breach, software defect or act of God that may be borne by the Bitcoin ETPs, and the security procedures may not protect against all errors, software flaws or other vulnerabilities in a Bitcoin ETP's technical infrastructure, which could result in theft, loss or damage of its assets. The Bitcoin ETPs do not control the operations of their service providers or their implementation of such security procedures, and there can be no assurance that such security procedures will actually work as designed or prove to be successful in safeguarding a Bitcoin ETP's assets against all possible sources of theft, loss or damage. Assets not held in cold storage, such as assets held in a trading account, may be more vulnerable to security breach, hacking or loss than assets held in cold storage. Furthermore, assets held in a trading account are held on an omnibus, rather than

segregated basis, which creates greater risk of loss. The security procedures and operational infrastructure may be breached due to the actions of outside parties, error or malfeasance of an employee of a Bitcoin ETP's service providers, and, as a result, an unauthorized party may obtain access to the Bitcoin ETP's account at the custodian where its bitcoin is held, the relevant private keys (and therefore bitcoin) or other data or property of a Bitcoin ETP. Additionally, outside parties may attempt to fraudulently induce employees of a Bitcoin ETP or its service providers to disclose sensitive information in order to gain access to a Bitcoin ETP's infrastructure. As the techniques used to obtain unauthorized access, disable or degrade service, or sabotage systems change frequently, or may be designed to remain dormant until a predetermined event and often are not recognized until launched against a target, a Bitcoin ETP and its service providers may be unable to anticipate these techniques or implement adequate preventative measures.

Digital Asset Trading Platforms Risk. Digital asset trading platforms remain relatively new and vary significantly in terms of regulation, transparency, operational stability and compliance standards. While certain prominent trading platforms—particularly those based in the United States—have substantially improved transparency, compliance and regulatory adherence, many platforms still operate internationally or offshore with significantly less stringent oversight. Platforms located outside the United States may be subject to minimal or inconsistent regulatory enforcement and often do not provide sufficient public information regarding their management structure, ownership, financial stability, cybersecurity practices, or compliance controls. Despite increased institutional involvement, enhanced security measures and more standardized operating practices adopted by leading platforms, digital asset exchanges continue to be vulnerable to cybersecurity threats, hacking incidents, fraudulent activities, operational disruptions and other technical risks. High-profile failures, breaches or shutdowns of major trading platforms or custodians—such as those arising from fraud, cybersecurity incidents, regulatory enforcement actions or insolvency—can significantly reduce investor confidence, increase market volatility and potentially trigger contagion effects across the digital asset ecosystem. Regulatory developments and enforcement actions continue to shape the landscape in which digital asset platforms operate. Recent regulatory scrutiny has heightened globally, particularly in jurisdictions with substantial trading volumes, such as the United States, Europe and Asia. Increased regulatory oversight, while potentially positive for market stability in the long run, can create short-term disruption, reduce liquidity, prompt platform closures or alter business models substantially, thereby affecting the prices of digital assets, including bitcoin. Investors should be aware that trading or custodying bitcoin on less transparent or poorly regulated platforms increases the risk of losing access to digital assets due to platform insolvency, hacking incidents, regulatory intervention or operational failure. Although improvements have been made, the digital asset marketplace remains inherently riskier than traditional financial markets, and investors may have limited recourse if a digital asset trading platform fails or is compromised.

<u>Irrevocability of Transactions Risk</u>. Bitcoin transactions are typically not reversible without the consent and active participation of the recipient of the transaction. Once a transaction has been verified and recorded in a block that is added to the Bitcoin blockchain, an incorrect transfer or theft of bitcoin generally will not be reversible and a Bitcoin ETP may not be capable of seeking compensation for any such transfer or theft. It is possible that, through computer or human error, or through theft or other criminal action, a Bitcoin ETP's bitcoin could be transferred from the

Bitcoin ETP's account at its custodian in incorrect amounts or to unauthorized third parties, or to uncontrolled accounts.

<u>Trading Halt Risk</u>. Trading in shares of a Bitcoin ETP on U.S. securities exchanges may be halted due to market conditions or for reasons that, in the view of an exchange, make trading in shares of the Bitcoin ETP inadvisable. In addition, trading of shares of a Bitcoin ETP on securities exchanges is subject to trading halts caused by extraordinary market volatility pursuant to an exchange's "circuit breaker" rules. Shares of a Bitcoin ETP may be at a higher risk of a trading halt due to the volatility of bitcoin. In the event that shares of a Bitcoin ETP are subject to a trading halt, the Fund's ability to pursue its principal investment strategy may be impaired, and the Fund may be negatively affected.

<u>Volatility Risk</u>. The price of bitcoin remains highly volatile and subject to significant price fluctuations. While recent increases in institutional adoption, clearer regulatory frameworks and broader market acceptance have contributed to greater stability relative to earlier periods, the price of bitcoin continues to be influenced by rapid shifts in market sentiment, regulatory developments, macroeconomic conditions, technological advancements and unforeseen events. The market price of bitcoin has historically experienced dramatic highs and lows over short periods, often with limited or no identifiable catalyst. Given the evolving nature of digital asset markets, price volatility may be amplified by external factors such as changes in global financial markets, geopolitical events, regulatory enforcement actions or significant technological or security incidents. Furthermore, speculative trading, leveraged positions and derivatives markets tied to bitcoin continue to contribute to potential volatility. Investors should remain aware that sudden, substantial price movements may occur at any time, potentially leading to significant losses. Consequently, investments linked directly or indirectly to bitcoin, including Bitcoin ETPs, may experience heightened volatility compared to traditional investment products.

Active Management Risk. The Fund is actively managed, and its performance reflects investment decisions that the Adviser makes for the Fund. Such judgments about the Fund's investments may prove to be incorrect. If the investments selected and the strategies employed by the Fund fail to produce the intended results, the Fund could underperform as compared to other funds with similar investment objectives and/or strategies or could have negative returns.

Clearing Member Default Risk. Transactions in some types of derivatives, including the options held by the Fund, are required to be centrally cleared ("cleared derivatives"). In a transaction involving cleared derivatives, the Fund's counterparty is a clearinghouse, such as the OCC, rather than a bank or broker. Since the Fund is not a member of clearinghouses, and only members of a clearinghouse ("clearing members") can participate directly in the clearinghouse, the Fund will hold cleared derivatives through accounts at clearing members. With regard to its cleared derivatives positions, the Fund will make payments (including margin payments) to, and receive payments from, a clearinghouse through their accounts at clearing members. Customer funds held at a clearing organization in connection with any option contracts are held in a commingled omnibus account and are not associated with any of the clearing member's individual customers by name. As a result, assets deposited by the Fund with any clearing member as margin for its options position may, in certain circumstances, be used to satisfy losses of other clients of the Fund's clearing member. In addition, although clearing members guarantee performance of their clients' obligations to the clearinghouse, there is a risk that the assets of the Fund

might not be fully protected in the event of the clearing member's bankruptcy. The Fund is also subject to the risk that a limited number of clearing members are willing to transact on the Fund's behalf, which heightens the risks associated with a clearing member's default. If a clearing member defaults, the Fund could lose some or all of the benefits of a transaction entered into by the Fund with the clearing member. The loss of a clearing member for the Fund to transact with could result in increased transaction costs and other operational issues that could impede the Fund's ability to implement its investment strategy. If the Fund cannot find a clearing member to transact with on the Fund's behalf, the Fund may be unable to effectively implement its investment strategy.

Concentration Risk. The Fund is susceptible to an increased risk of loss, including losses due to adverse events that affect the Fund's investments more than the market as a whole, to the extent that the Fund's investments are concentrated in investments that provide exposure to bitcoin.

Current Market Conditions Risk. Current market conditions risk is the risk that a particular investment, or Fund Shares in general, may fall in value due to current market conditions. As a means to fight inflation, which remains at elevated levels, the Federal Reserve and certain foreign central banks have raised interest rates, however, the Federal Reserve has recently lowered interest rates and may continue to do so. U.S. regulators have proposed several changes to market and issuer regulations which would directly impact the Fund, and any regulatory changes could adversely impact the Fund's ability to achieve its investment strategies or make certain investments. Recent and potential future bank failures could result in disruption to the broader banking industry or markets generally and reduce confidence in financial institutions and the economy as a whole, which may also heighten market volatility and reduce liquidity. Additionally, challenges in commercial real estate markets, including rising interest rates, declining valuations and increasing vacancies, could have a broader impact on financial markets. The ongoing adversarial political climate in the United States, as well as political and diplomatic events both domestic and abroad, have and may continue to have an adverse impact the U.S. regulatory landscape, markets and investor behavior, which could have a negative impact on the Fund's investments and operations. The change in administration resulting from the 2024 United States national elections could result in significant impacts to international trade relations, tax and immigration policies, and other aspects of the national and international political and financial landscape, which could affect, among other things, inflation and the securities markets generally. Other unexpected political, regulatory and diplomatic events within the U.S. and abroad may affect investor and consumer confidence and may adversely impact financial markets and the broader economy. For example, ongoing armed conflicts between Russia and Ukraine in Europe and among Israel, Iran, Hamas and other militant groups in the Middle East, have caused and could continue to cause significant market disruptions and volatility within the markets in Russia, Europe, the Middle East and the United States. The hostilities and sanctions resulting from those hostilities have and could continue to have a significant impact on certain Fund investments as well as Fund performance and liquidity. The economies of the United States and its trading partners, as well as the financial markets generally, may be adversely impacted by trade disputes, including the imposition of tariffs, and other matters. For example, the United States has imposed trade barriers and restrictions on China. In addition, the Chinese government is engaged in a longstanding dispute with Taiwan, continually threatening an invasion. If the political climate between the United States and China does not improve or continues to deteriorate, if China were to attempt invading Taiwan, or if other geopolitical conflicts develop or worsen, economies, markets and individual securities may be adversely affected, and the value of the Fund's assets may go down. A public health crisis and the ensuing policies enacted by governments and central banks may cause significant volatility and

uncertainty in global financial markets, negatively impacting global growth prospects. As the COVID-19 global pandemic illustrated, such events may affect certain geographic regions, countries, sectors and industries more significantly than others. Advancements in technology may also adversely impact markets and the overall performance of the Fund. For instance, the economy may be significantly impacted by the advanced development and increased regulation of artificial intelligence. Additionally, cybersecurity breaches of both government and non-government entities could have negative impacts on infrastructure and the ability of such entities, including the Fund, to operate properly. These events, and any other future events, may adversely affect the prices and liquidity of the Fund's portfolio investments and could result in disruptions in the trading markets.

Cybersecurity Risk. The Fund is susceptible to operational risks due to breaches in cybersecurity. A breach in cybersecurity refers to both intentional and unintentional events that may cause the Fund to lose proprietary information, suffer data corruption or lose operational capacity. Such events could cause the Fund to incur regulatory penalties, reputational damage, additional compliance costs associated with corrective measures and/or financial loss. Cybersecurity breaches may involve unauthorized access to the Fund's digital information systems through "hacking" or malicious software coding but may also result from outside attacks such as denial-of-service attacks due to efforts to make network services unavailable to intended users. In addition, cybersecurity breaches of the Fund's third-party service providers, such as its administrator, transfer agent, custodian or sub-advisor, as applicable, or the issuers in which the Fund invests, can also subject the Fund to many of the same risks associated with direct cybersecurity breaches. Although the Fund has established risk management systems designed to reduce the risks associated with cybersecurity, there is no guarantee that such efforts will succeed, especially because the Fund does not directly control the cybersecurity systems of issuers or third-party service providers.

Derivatives Risk. The use of derivative instruments involves risks different from, or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities and other traditional investments. These risks include: (i) the risk that the counterparty to a derivative transaction may not fulfill its contractual obligations; (ii) the risk of mispricing or improper valuation; and (iii) the risk that changes in the value of the derivative may not correlate perfectly with the underlying asset. Derivative prices are highly volatile and may fluctuate substantially during a short period of time. Such prices are influenced by numerous factors that affect the markets, including, but not limited to: changing supply and demand relationships; government programs and policies; national and international political and economic events, changes in interest rates, inflation and deflation and changes in supply and demand relationships. Trading derivative instruments involves risks different from, or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities. Derivative contracts ordinarily have leverage inherent in their terms. The use of leverage may cause the Fund to liquidate portfolio positions when it would not be advantageous to do so in order to satisfy its obligations or to meet regulatory or contractual requirements for derivatives. The use of derivatives can magnify potential for gain or loss and, therefore, amplify the effects of market volatility on share price.

FLEX Options Risk. Trading FLEX Options involves risks different from, or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities. The Fund may experience losses from specific FLEX Option positions and certain FLEX Option positions may expire worthless. The FLEX Options are listed on an exchange; however, no one can guarantee that a liquid secondary trading market will exist for the FLEX Options. In the event that trading in the FLEX Options is limited or absent, the value

of the Fund's FLEX Options may decrease. In a less liquid market for the FLEX Options, liquidating the FLEX Options may require the payment of a premium (for written FLEX Options) or acceptance of a discounted price (for purchased FLEX Options) and may take longer to complete. A less liquid trading market may adversely impact the value of the FLEX Options and Fund Shares and result in the Fund being unable to achieve its investment objective. Less liquidity in the trading of the Fund's FLEX Options could have an impact on the prices paid or received by the Fund for the FLEX Options in connection with creations and redemptions of Fund Shares. Depending on the nature of this impact to pricing, the Fund may be forced to pay more for redemptions (or receive less for creations) than the price at which it currently values the FLEX Options. Such overpayment or under collection could reduce the Fund's ability to achieve its investment objective. Additionally, in a less liquid market for the FLEX Options, the liquidation of a large number of options may more significantly impact the price. A less liquid trading market may adversely impact the value of the FLEX Options and the value of your investment. The trading in FLEX Options may be less deep and liquid than the market for certain other exchange-traded options, non-customized options or other securities.

Leverage Risk. While the Fund does not seek leveraged exposure to the Bitcoin ETPs, the Fund seeks to achieve and maintain the exposure to the price of the Bitcoin ETPs by using the leverage inherent in options contracts. Therefore, the Fund is subject to leverage risk. When the Fund purchases or sells an instrument or enters into a transaction without investing an amount equal to the full economic exposure of the instrument or transaction, it creates leverage, which can result in the Fund losing more than it originally invested. As a result, these investments may magnify losses to the Fund, and even a small market movement may result in significant losses to the Fund. Leverage may also cause the Fund to be more volatile because it may exaggerate the effect of any increase or decrease in the value of the Fund's portfolio securities. Options trading involves a degree of leverage and, as a result, a relatively small price movement in futures instruments may result in immediate and substantial losses to the Fund.

Liquidity Risk. The market for Bitcoin ETP Options may be subject to periods of illiquidity. During such times it may be difficult or impossible to buy or sell a position at the desired price. Market disruptions or volatility can also make it difficult to find a counterparty willing to transact at a reasonable price and sufficient size. Illiquid markets may cause losses, which could be significant. The large size of the positions which the Fund may acquire increases the risk of illiquidity, may make its positions more difficult to liquidate, and may increase the losses incurred while trying to do so. Such large positions also may impact the price of Bitcoin ETP Options.

New Fund Risk. The Fund is a recently organized investment company with a limited operating history. As a result, prospective investors have a limited track record or history on which to base their investment decision.

Non-Diversification Risk. As a "non-diversified" fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of the Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

Operational Risk. The Fund is subject to risks arising from various operational factors, including, but not limited to, human error; processing and communication errors; errors of the Fund's service providers, counterparties or other third parties; failed or inadequate processes; and technology or systems failures.

The Fund relies on third parties for a range of services, including custody. Any delay or failure relating to engaging or maintaining such service providers may affect the Fund's ability to meet its investment objective. Although the Fund and the Adviser seek to reduce these operational risks through controls and procedures, there is no way to completely protect against such risks.

Options Risk. The use of options involves investment strategies and risks different from those associated with ordinary portfolio securities transactions and depends on the ability of the Fund's portfolio managers to forecast market movements correctly. The prices of options are volatile and are influenced by, among other things, actual and anticipated changes in the value of the underlying instrument, or in interest or currency exchange rates, including the anticipated volatility, which in turn are affected by fiscal and monetary policies and by national and international political and economic events. The effective use of options also depends on the Fund's ability to terminate option positions at times deemed desirable to do so. There is no assurance that the Fund will be able to effect closing transactions at any particular time or at an acceptable price. In addition, there may at times be an imperfect correlation between the movement in values of options and their underlying securities, and there may, at times, not be a liquid secondary market for certain options.

Portfolio Turnover Risk. The Fund may experience high levels of portfolio turnover. A high portfolio turnover rate increases transaction costs, which may increase the Fund's expenses. Frequent trading may also cause adverse tax consequences for investors in the Fund due to an increase in short-term capital gains.

Special Tax Risk. The Fund intends to qualify as a "regulated investment company" ("RIC"), however, the federal income tax treatment of certain aspects of the proposed operations of the Fund are not entirely clear. This includes the tax aspects of the Fund's options strategy, the possible application of the "straddle" rules, and various loss limitation provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). If, in any year, the Fund fails to qualify as a RIC under the applicable tax laws, the Fund would be taxed as an ordinary corporation.

To the extent that the Fund investments in Bitcoin ETP Options include offsetting positions, the character of gains or losses realized by the Fund under the Code's "straddle" rules may be affected and may increase the amount of short-term capital gain realized by the Fund. The Fund may hold certain options that do not qualify as "Section 1256 contracts" under Section 1256 of the Code, and disposition of such options will likely result in short-term or long-term capital gains or losses depending on the holding period. In addition, based upon language in the legislative history, the Fund intends to treat the issuer of the options as the issuer of the referenced asset or in the case of Bitcoin ETP Options that reference a Bitcoin ETP Index, the issuers of the securities underlying the index, which, assuming the referenced asset qualifies as a RIC, would allow the Fund to qualify for special rules in the RIC diversification requirements. If the income is not qualifying income or the issuer of the options is not appropriately the referenced asset or the issuers of the securities underlying the index, the Fund could lose its own status as a RIC.

The Fund intends to treat the income it derives from gains on options referencing the Bitcoin ETPs and Bitcoin ETP Indexes as "qualifying income" for purposes of the RIC qualification rules under Subchapter M of the Code. It has adopted this position in reliance on an opinion obtained from counsel that income from such investments should constitute "qualifying income," as the Bitcoin ETPs and Bitcoin ETP Indexes referenced by the options constitute "securities" under Section 2(a)(36) of the 1940

Act. However, this opinion is not binding upon the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS"). If the IRS were to successfully assert that the Fund's income from such investments was not "qualifying income," the Fund may fail to qualify as a RIC under Subchapter M if over 10% of its gross income was derived from these investments. If the Fund failed to qualify as a RIC, it would be subject to federal and state income tax on all of its taxable income at regular corporate tax rates with no deduction for any distributions paid to shareholders, which would significantly adversely affect the returns to, and could cause substantial losses for, Fund shareholders.

To maintain its status as a RIC, the Fund must distribute 90% of its investment company taxable income annually. In addition, to avoid a non-deductible excise tax, the Fund must distribute 98% of its ordinary income and 98.2% of its capital gain net income. Separately, depending upon the circumstances, sales to fund redemptions could cause the Fund to recognize income that the Fund is required to distribute to maintain the Fund's RIC status and avoid the excise tax. Funding such distributions could require additional sales, which could require more distributions and affect the projected performance of the Fund. Alternatively, if the Fund only makes distributions to maintain its RIC status and becomes subject to the excise tax, that could also affect the projected performance of the Fund. In either case, the assets sold to fund redemptions, distributions or pay the excise tax will not be available to assist the Fund in meeting its investment objective.

In the event that a shareholder purchases shares of the Fund shortly before a distribution by the Fund, the entire distribution may be taxable to the shareholder even though a portion of the distribution effectively represents a return of the purchase price.

Structural ETF Risks. The Fund is an ETF. Accordingly, it is subject to certain risks associated with its unique structure.

<u>Active Market Risk</u>. Although Fund Shares are listed for trading on the Exchange, there can be no assurance that an active trading market for Fund Shares will develop or be maintained. Fund Shares trade on the Exchange at market prices that may be below, at or above the Fund's net asset value. Securities, including Fund Shares, are subject to market fluctuations and liquidity constraints that may be caused by such factors as economic, political or regulatory developments, changes in interest rates, and/or perceived trends in securities prices. Fund Shares could decline in value or underperform other investments.

<u>Authorized Participant Concentration Risk.</u> Only an Authorized Participant may engage in creation or redemption transactions directly with the Fund, and none of those Authorized Participants is obligated to engage in creation and/or redemption transactions. The Fund has a limited number of institutions that may act as Authorized Participants on an agency basis (*i.e.*, on behalf of other market participants). To the extent that Authorized Participants exit the business or are unable to proceed with creation or redemption orders with respect to the Fund and no other Authorized Participant is able to step forward to create or redeem, Fund Shares may be more likely to trade at a premium or discount to NAV and possibly face trading halts or delisting. Authorized Participant concentration risk may be heightened for ETFs, such as the Fund, which invest in securities issued by non-U.S. issuers or other securities or instruments that have lower trading volumes.

<u>Cash Transactions Risk</u>. The Fund currently expects to effect a significant portion of its creations and redemptions for cash, rather than in-kind securities. Paying redemption proceeds in cash rather than through in-kind delivery of portfolio securities may require the Fund to dispose of or sell portfolio securities or other assets at an inopportune time to obtain the cash needed to meet redemption orders. This may cause the Fund to sell a security and recognize a capital gain or loss that might not have been incurred if it had made a redemption in-kind. As a result, the Fund may pay out higher or lower annual capital gains distributions than ETFs that redeem in-kind. The use of cash creations and redemptions may also cause Fund Shares to trade in the market at greater bid-ask spreads or greater premiums or discounts to the Fund's NAV. Furthermore, the Fund may not be able to execute cash transactions for creation and redemption purposes at the same price used to determine the Fund's NAV. To the extent that the maximum additional charge for creation or redemption transactions is insufficient to cover the execution shortfall, the Fund's performance could be negatively impacted.

<u>Costs of Buying and Selling Fund Shares</u>. Due to the costs of buying or selling Fund Shares, including brokerage commissions imposed by brokers and bid/ask spreads, frequent trading of Fund Shares may significantly reduce investment results, and an investment in Fund Shares may not be advisable for investors who anticipate regularly making small investments.

<u>Premium/Discount Risk</u>. As with all exchange-traded funds, Fund Shares may be bought and sold in the secondary market at market prices. The trading prices of Fund Shares in the secondary market may differ from the Fund's daily net asset value per share and there may be times when the market price of the shares is more than the net asset value per share (premium) or less than the net asset value per share (discount). This risk is heightened in times of market volatility or periods of steep market declines.

U.S. Government Securities Risk. U.S. government securities are subject to interest rate risk but generally do not involve the credit risks associated with investments in other types of debt securities. As a result, the yields available from U.S. government securities are generally lower than the yields available from other debt securities. U.S. government securities are guaranteed only as to the timely payment of interest and the payment of principal when held to maturity.

Valuation Risk. The Fund may hold securities or other assets that may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur because the asset or security does not trade on a centralized exchange, or in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including "fair valued" assets or securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. The Fund's ability to value investments may be impacted by technological issues or errors by pricing services or other third-party service providers.

Performance

As of the date of this prospectus, the Fund has not yet commenced operations and therefore does not have a performance history. Once available, the Fund's performance information will be accessible on the Fund's website at https://www.ibtbetf.com and will provide some indication of the risks of investing in the Fund.

Management

<u>Investment Adviser</u>: Bitwise Investment Manager, LLC ("BIM")

<u>Portfolio Managers</u>: Jennifer Thornton, Portfolio Manager at BIM, Daniela Padilla, Portfolio Manager at BIM and Gayatri Choudhury, Quantitative Investment Analyst at BIM, are the individuals that are primarily and jointly responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund. Each has served as portfolio manager since the Fund's inception in August 2025.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the Exchange, other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through a broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at NAV, Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount). When buying or selling Fund Shares in the secondary market, you may incur costs attributable to the difference between the highest price a buyer is willing to pay to purchase Fund Shares (bid) and the lowest price a seller is willing to accept for Fund Shares (ask) (the "bid-ask spread"). Recent information regarding the Fund's NAV, market price, premiums and discounts, and bid-ask spreads is available at https://www.ibtbetf.com

Tax Information

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income, qualified dividend income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser, Foreside Fund Services, LLC, the Fund's distributor, may pay the intermediary for the sale of Fund Shares and related services. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

Bitwise BITQ Option Income Strategy ETF

Investment Objective

The Fund's primary investment objective is to provide current income. The Fund's secondary investment objective is to provide exposure to the price return of the Bitwise Crypto Industry Innovators ETF (NYSE Arca: BITQ) ("BITQ"), subject to a limit on potential investment gains.

Fees and Expenses of the Fund

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the Fund ("Fund Shares"). You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and example below.

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)

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Management Fees	0.95%
Distribution and Service (12b-1) Fees	0.00%
Other Expenses ⁽¹⁾	0.00%
Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses ⁽¹⁾	0.02%
Total Fund Operating Expenses	0.97%

^{(1) &}quot;Other Expenses" and "Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses" are estimates based on the expenses the Fund expects to incur for the current fiscal year.

Example

This example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other funds. The example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3
\$99	\$309

Portfolio Turnover

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the example, affect the Fund's performance. Because the Fund has not yet commenced operations, portfolio turnover information is unavailable at this time.

Principal Investment Strategies

The Fund is an actively managed ETF that seeks to provide current income while providing exposure to the share price (*i.e.*, the price returns) of BITQ, subject to a limit on potential investment gains. The Fund seeks to achieve these investment objectives through the use of a synthetic covered call strategy. The Fund seeks to provide its synthetic exposure to the price return of BITQ through the purchase and sale of a combination of call and put option contracts that utilize BITQ as the reference asset. The Fund will also sell call options that utilize BITQ or the securities held by BITQ (each, a "BITQ Constituent", and collectively, the "BITQ Constituents") as the reference asset. These sold call options provide income in the form of option premiums but will also limit the degree to which the Fund will participate in investment gains experienced by BITQ.

The Fund will invest at least 80% of its net assets plus borrowings in options contracts with reference assets that cumulatively provide exposure to the performance of BITQ. Such option contracts may utilize BITQ itself as the reference asset or such option contracts may utilize the BITQ Constituents that approximately replicate the performance of BITQ as the reference assets. For purposes of compliance with this investment policy, derivative contracts will be valued at their notional value.

In implementing its investment strategy, the Fund will invest in traditional exchange-traded options contracts and/or FLexible EXchange® options ("FLEX Options") that utilize BITQ or a BITQ Constituent as the reference asset. The Fund will only invest in options contracts that are listed for trading on regulated U.S. exchanges. Traditional exchange-traded options have standardized terms, such as the type (call or put), the reference asset, the strike price and expiration date. Exchange-listed options contracts are guaranteed for settlement by the Options Clearing Corporation ("OCC"). FLEX Options are a type of exchange-listed options contract with uniquely customizable terms that allow investors to customize key terms like type, strike price and expiration date that are standardized in a typical options contract. FLEX Options are also guaranteed for settlement by the OCC. It is anticipated that the Fund will invest primarily in FLEX Options. The FLEX Options held by the Fund may be either physical or cash settled.

In general, an option is a contract that gives the purchaser (holder) of the option, in return for a premium, the right to buy from (call) or sell to (put) the seller (writer) of the option the asset underlying the option (in this case, BITQ) at a specified exercise price. The writer of an option has the obligation upon exercise of the option to deliver the underlying reference asset upon payment of the exercise price (call) or to pay the exercise price upon delivery of the underlying reference asset (put). The Fund may utilize both European and American style options. An option is said to be "European Style" when it can be exercised only at expiration whereas an "American Style" option can be exercised at any time prior to expiration.

In a traditional covered call strategy, an investor (such as the Fund) sells a call option on a security it already owns. However, the Fund will derive its exposure to BITQ through the use of options contracts that use BITQ as the reference asset. It is this distinction that causes the Fund's strategy to be properly termed as a "synthetic covered call strategy," as opposed to a traditional covered call strategy, because the Fund primarily has synthetic exposure to BITQ. The Fund's synthetic exposure to BITQ is achieved through the combination of purchasing call options and selling put options generally at the same strike price, which synthetically creates the upside and downside participation in the price returns of BITQ. The Fund will primarily gain exposure to increases in value experienced by BITQ through the purchase of call options. As a buyer of these options, the Fund pays a premium to the seller of the options. The

Fund will primarily gain exposure to decreases in value experienced by BITQ through the sale of put options. As the seller of these options, the Fund receives a premium from the buyer of the options. In combination, the purchased call and sold put options generally provide exposure to price returns of BITQ both on the upside and downside. The Fund intends to continuously maintain exposure to BITQ through the use of options. When such options expire or are exercised, the Fund will enter into new options. This is a practice referred to as "rolling." The Fund's practice of rolling options may result in higher levels of portfolio turnover.

As the primary means by which the Fund intends to generate income, the Fund will sell call options that reference BITQ or a BITQ Constituent at a strike price that is expected to be approximately between 0% and 15% above the then-current share price of BITQ or the BITQ Constituent, as applicable. It is important to note that the sale of these call options to generate income will limit the Fund's ability to participate in increases in value of BITQ's or the BITQ Constituent's share price beyond a certain point. If the share price of BITQ or a BITQ Constituent increases, the above-referenced synthetic long exposure would allow the Fund to experience similar percentage gains. However, if BITQ's or the BITQ Constituent's share price appreciates in value beyond the strike price of one or more of the call option contracts that the Fund has sold to generate income, the Fund will lose money on those short call positions, and the losses will, in turn, limit the upside return of the Fund's synthetic long exposure. As a result, the Fund's overall strategy (i.e., the combination of the synthetic long exposure to BITQ and the sold BITQ or BITQ Constituent call positions) will limit the Fund's participation in gains of BITQ's share price beyond a certain point. This strategy effectively converts a portion of the potential upside price return growth of BITQ into current income. Such income may be less than the upside return of BITQ. It is expected that the call options the Fund will sell to generate options premiums will generally have expirations of approximately one year or less and will be held to or close to expiration.

In addition to the options contracts, the Fund will also invest in cash and short-term U.S. Treasury securities, which will serve to collateralize the Fund's options positions and provide additional income. The market value of the cash and short-term U.S. Treasury securities held by the Fund is expected to be between 50% and 100% of the Fund's net assets and the market value of the options package is expected to be between 0% and 50% of the Fund's net assets. In terms of notional value, the combination of these investment instruments provides indirect investment exposure to BITQ equal to at least 100% of the Fund's total assets.

As a result of its investment strategies, the Fund will be concentrated in the industry or group of industries in which BITQ is concentrated. As of July 25, 2025, BITQ is concentrated in the industry or group of industries comprising the financial sector and the information technology sector.

The Fund is classified as "non-diversified" under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act").

It is critical that investors understand the following:

- 1. An investment in the Fund is not an investment in BITQ.
- 2. The Fund's strategy is subject to all potential losses if shares of BITQ decrease in value, which may not be offset by income received by the Fund.
- 3. The Fund does not invest directly in shares of BITQ.

4. Fund shareholders are not entitled to any BITQ dividends.

Additional Information About BITO

BITQ is an ETF that seeks investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the total return performance of the Bitwise Crypto Innovators 30 Index (the "BITQ Index"). The BITQ Index was designed by Bitwise Index Services, LLC (the "Index Sponsor"), an affiliate of the Fund's investment adviser, to measure the performance of companies involved in servicing the cryptocurrency markets, including crypto mining firms, crypto mining equipment suppliers, crypto financial services companies, or other financial institutions servicing primarily crypto-related clientele (*i.e.*, the crypto ecosystem). Under normal circumstances, BITQ invests at least 80% of its net assets (plus the amount of borrowings for investment purposes) in securities of Crypto Innovators, as defined below.

In constructing the BITQ Index, the Index Sponsor identifies a two-tiered universe of companies as follows:

- 1) Tier 1 Companies ("Crypto Innovators"). Companies that: (a) derive more than 75% of their revenue directly from the crypto ecosystem; or (b) have more than 75% of their net assets accounted for by direct holdings of bitcoin or ether, and, in either case, are not involved in bankruptcy proceedings. Crypto Innovators will make up 85% of the Index at the time of each rebalance.
- 2) Tier 2 Companies. Companies that are not classified as Crypto Innovators, have a market capitalization of at least \$10 billion, and either: (a) have a significant dedicated business initiative explicitly focused on the crypto ecosystem that is reported in at least one of the company's official quarterly or annual filings from the past 12 months, including initiatives involving the purchase, sale, development, custody, mining, trading, transacting in, processing transactions with, or holding of crypto assets or derivative instruments that track the value of crypto assets; or (b) hold at least \$100 million of bitcoin or ether as a balance sheet asset. Tier 2 Companies will make up 15% of the Index at the time of each rebalance.

Companies identified as part of the universe described above are then subject to certain eligibility criteria, including that the company's shares be listed on an eligible stock exchange, as determined by the Index Sponsor. Companies are also screened for size (companies must have a minimum market capitalization of at least \$100 million at the time of initial inclusion), liquidity (shares must have a threemonth average daily traded value of at least \$1 million), and free float (shares must have a free float, which refers to the portion of shares publicly available for purchase on the secondary market, of at least 10%). Shares of common stock, units, tracking stocks, American Depositary Receipts ("ADRs") and Global Depositary Receipts ("GDRs") are eligible for inclusion in the BITQ Index. Where securities of eligible companies have multiple share classes listed on major exchanges, the most liquid share class is included as determined by the average daily traded value for the six-month period preceding the date companies are screened for inclusion. The BITQ Index may include securities of non-U.S. issuers (including emerging market issuers), China A-shares (which are shares of mainland China-based companies that trade on the Chinese stock exchanges) and securities issued in an initial public offering ("IPO"). The BITQ Index may include companies that only have indirect involvement in the crypto ecosystem. After applying the above screening criteria, the BITQ Index comprises the top 20 Crypto Innovators and the top 10 Tier 2 Companies, in each case selected by market capitalization. Crypto

Innovators are weighted according to free float-adjusted market capitalization and Tier 2 Companies are equally weighted.

BITQ is registered under the 1940 Act and is subject to the informational requirements of the 1940 Act. Information provided to or filed with the SEC by the underlying issuer of BITQ pursuant to the 1940 Act, including financial reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding BITQ, can be located through the SEC's website at www.sec.gov.

Principal Risks

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. The order of the risk factors set forth below does not indicate the significance of any particular risk factor.

Market Risk. Market risk is the risk that a particular investment, or Fund Shares in general, may fall in value. Securities are subject to market fluctuations caused by real or perceived adverse economic, political and regulatory factors or market developments, changes in interest rates, disruptions to trade, impositions of tariffs and perceived trends in securities prices. Fund Shares could decline in value or underperform other investments. In addition, local, regional or global events such as war, acts of terrorism, market manipulation, government defaults, government shutdowns, regulatory actions, political changes, diplomatic developments, the imposition of sanctions and other similar measures, spread of infectious diseases or other public health issues, recessions, natural disasters or other events could have a significant negative impact on the Fund and its investments. Any of such circumstances could have a materially negative impact on the value of Fund Shares, the liquidity of an investment and may result in increased market volatility. During any such events, Fund Shares may trade at increased premiums or discounts to their net asset value, the bid/ask spread on Fund Shares may widen and the returns on investment may fluctuate.

Covered Call Strategy Risk. A covered call strategy involves writing (selling) covered call options in return for the receipt of premiums. The seller of the option gives up the opportunity to benefit from price increases in the underlying instrument above the exercise price of the options but continues to bear the risk of underlying instrument price declines. The premiums received from the options may not be sufficient to offset any losses sustained from underlying instrument price declines over time. As a result, the risks associated with writing covered call options may be similar to the risks associated with writing put options. Exchanges may suspend the trading of options during periods of abnormal market volatility. Suspension of trading may mean that an option seller is unable to sell options at a time that may be desirable or advantageous to do so.

The covered call strategy utilized by the Fund is "synthetic" because the Fund's exposure to the price return of BITQ is derived through options exposure rather than direct holdings of the shares of BITQ. Because such exposure is synthetic, it is possible that the Fund's participation in the price return of BITQ may not be as precise as if the Fund were directly holding shares of BITQ.

BITQ Risks. The Fund will have significant exposure to BITQ through its investments in options that utilize BITQ as the reference asset. Accordingly, the Fund will subject to the risks of BITQ set forth below. In addition to these risks, BITQ is also subject to the following risks to which the Fund is also

subject, which are described within the section entitled "Principal Risks": Market Risk, Concentration Risk, Current Market Conditions Risk, Cybersecurity Risk, Operational Risk and Structural ETF Risk.

<u>Bitcoin Risk</u>. Bitcoin remains a volatile and evolving asset subject to significant market fluctuations, uncertainty and speculative investment interest. Although increased institutional adoption and regulatory clarity have recently improved market stability and broader acceptance, the value of bitcoin continues to be influenced substantially by market sentiment, speculative demand and macroeconomic factors rather than traditional fundamental analysis alone. The further development and sustained acceptance of the Bitcoin network are dependent on a variety of complex factors, including technological advancements, regulatory developments, institutional participation and broader public adoption. While regulatory oversight of bitcoin and related digital assets has notably increased, particularly in jurisdictions like the United States and Europe, the global regulatory landscape remains fragmented. Sudden or significant regulatory actions—including new legislation, enforcement actions against key market participants, or policy shifts—can still materially impact bitcoin's valuation and liquidity. Bitcoin markets remain susceptible to manipulation, fraud, theft, cybersecurity incidents and operational disruptions, especially on trading platforms that lack robust regulatory oversight or proper cybersecurity standards. Furthermore, a significant concentration of bitcoin holdings among a limited number of large holders, often referred to as "whales," continues to pose risks of price volatility or manipulation through coordinated transactions. Technological risks remain inherent in bitcoin and its underlying blockchain network. While advancements such as Layer 2 scaling solutions (e.g., the Lightning Network) have made meaningful progress toward addressing scalability and usability concerns, these technologies are still evolving and carry risks of technical vulnerabilities, hacking, and operational failures that may undermine confidence or negatively affect bitcoin's value. The potential for blockchain forks—where disagreements among developers and stakeholders lead to competing blockchains—continues to exist. Although fewer contentious forks have occurred in recent times, such events could reoccur, introducing market confusion, diluting value or weakening confidence in the Bitcoin blockchain. Competition from alternative blockchain networks and digital assets remains strong. Networks like Ethereum and other blockchain platforms with smart contract capabilities, privacy features or superior scalability may attract broader adoption, thereby reducing bitcoin's relative attractiveness or limiting its potential as an alternative payment system or digital store of value. Any of these risks, individually or collectively, could materially and adversely affect the acceptance and market value of bitcoin, consequently impacting the value of shares of BITQ or related investment products.

Blockchain and Cryptocurrency Industry Risk. The technology relating to the blockchain and cryptocurrency industry ecosystem is new and developing and the risks associated with crypto assets may not fully emerge until the technology is widely used. Technologies utilizing cryptography are used by companies to optimize their business practices, whether by using the technology within their business or operating business lines involved in the operation of the technology. Cryptography refers to a set of techniques designed to allow for secure communication in the presence of adversarial behavior. Blockchain is a well-known example of a technology that relies on cryptography. A blockchain is comprised of unchangeable, digitally recorded data in packages called "blocks." These digitally recorded blocks of data are stored in a linear "chain." Each block in the chain contains data (e.g., a transaction), that is

cryptographically connected to the previous block in the chain, ensuring all data in the overall "blockchain" has not been tampered with and remains unchanged. The cryptographic keys necessary to transact a crypto asset may be subject to theft, loss or destruction, which could adversely affect a company's business or operations if it were dependent on such an asset. Competing platforms and technologies may be developed such that consumers or investors use an alternative to crypto assets. There may be risks posed by the lack of regulation for crypto assets and any future regulatory developments could affect the viability and expansion of the use of blockchain and cryptocurrency technologies. Recently, U.S. securities regulators have brought actions against companies operating in the blockchain and cryptocurrency industry ecosystem for violations of U.S. securities laws. To the extent such an action is brought against a company held by the Fund, the value of such a holding could decrease significantly. Because companies operating in the blockchain and cryptocurrency industry ecosystem may operate across many national boundaries and regulatory jurisdictions, it is possible that such companies may be subject to widespread and inconsistent regulation. Blockchain and cryptocurrency industry companies that rely on third-party products may be subject to technical defects or vulnerabilities beyond a company's control. Because many crypto assets do not have a standardized exchange, like a stock market, there is less liquidity for such assets and greater possibility of volatility, fraud or manipulation. The values of certain companies included in BITQ's portfolio may not entirely reflect their connection to the blockchain and cryptocurrency industry ecosystem but may be based on other business operations. In addition, these companies may engage in other lines of business unrelated to the blockchain and cryptocurrency industry ecosystem and these lines of business could adversely affect their operating results. Such companies may be engaged in activities traditionally comprising the information technology sector and financial sectors. These companies also may not be able to develop crypto technology applications or may not be able to capitalize on those applications. Technologies also may never be fully implemented, which could adversely affect an investment in such companies. Companies that use crypto technologies may be subject to cybersecurity risk. In addition, certain features of blockchain and cryptocurrency industry technologies, such as decentralization, open-source protocol, and reliance on peer-topeer connectivity, may increase the risk of fraud or cyber-attack by potentially reducing the likelihood of a coordinated response. A significant disruption of Internet connectivity affecting large numbers of users or geographic areas could impede the functionality of crypto technologies and adversely affect companies included in BITQ's portfolio. Blockchain and cryptocurrency industry companies may be subject to the risks posed by conflicting intellectual property claims, which may reduce confidence in the viability of a crypto asset.

Certain of BITQ's investments, including investments in companies with direct holdings of crypto assets may be subject to the risk sassociated with investing in such assets. Such companies may be subject to the risk that: the technology that facilitates the transfer of the crypto asset could fail; the decentralized, open source protocol of the blockchain network utilized by a company held by BITQ could be affected by Internet connectivity disruptions, fraud, consensus failures or cybersecurity attacks; such network may not be adequately maintained by its participants; because crypto assets are a new technological innovation with a limited history, they are highly speculative assets and may experience extreme price volatility; future regulatory actions or policies may limit the ability to sell, exchange or use a crypto asset; the price of a crypto asset may be impacted by the transactions of a small number of holders of such asset; and that a crypto asset will decline in popularity, acceptance or use, thereby impairing its price.

China A-Shares Investment Risk. The liquidity of the A-shares market and trading prices of A-shares could be more severely affected than the liquidity and trading prices of other markets because the Chinese government restricts the flow of capital into and out of the A-shares market. BITQ may experience losses due to illiquidity of the Chinese securities markets or delay or disruption in execution or settlement of trades. BITQ's investments in A-shares may become subject to frequent and widespread trading halts. In addition, Stock Connect, which is a securities trading and clearing link between the Shanghai Stock Exchange, the Shenzhen Stock Exchange and the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, only operates on days when the Chinese and Hong Kong stock markets are each open for trading and when banks in each market are open on the corresponding settlement days. BITQ may purchase and sell A-shares through Stock Connect only on days when Stock Connect and U.S. markets are open for trading. Therefore, if it is a normal trading day for the Chinese market but Hong Kong and/or U.S. markets are closed, BITQ will not be able to trade any A-shares. BITQ may be subject to the risk of price fluctuations in A-shares on such days. BITQ is also subject to the risk that it will not be able to buy or sell A-shares in a timely manner on days when the U.S. markets are open but Stock Connect is not.

Ether Risk. Ether is subject to significant volatility, rapid price fluctuations and uncertainty. While ether has experienced substantial growth in institutional adoption, regulatory recognition, and technological maturity, its value remains influenced by market sentiment, speculative investment activities, macroeconomic factors and ongoing technological developments rather than purely traditional fundamental analysis. Ethereum is an evolving blockchain platform that continues to undergo substantial upgrades, such as the transition from Proof-of-Work to Proofof-Stake (Ethereum 2.0 or the "Merge") and the ongoing rollout of scalability improvements (including Layer 2 solutions such as rollups). These complex technological upgrades are intended to improve Ethereum's scalability, security, transaction throughput, energy efficiency and usability. However, each significant update introduces risks including technical vulnerabilities, potential software flaws, delays in development, operational disruptions or unintended economic impacts, any of which could negatively affect investor confidence, the adoption of the Ethereum blockchain or ether's valuation. The regulatory environment for ether and the Ethereum blockchain remains uncertain and varied globally. While certain jurisdictions have provided increased regulatory clarity and oversight, significant regulatory risks persist. Unanticipated regulatory actions—including enforcement actions, reclassification of ether's regulatory status (such as a security versus commodity), or significant policy changes—could materially impact ether's value and liquidity. Investors should remain aware that shifts in regulatory classification or compliance requirements may adversely impact the viability, market perception or utility of ether. The Ethereum ecosystem relies heavily on smart contracts—computer code deployed on the Ethereum blockchain capable of automating financial transactions, asset management, and decentralized application (dApp) functionalities. While smart contracts enable substantial innovation, they remain vulnerable to coding errors, exploitation, hacks and manipulation. Past security breaches involving decentralized finance (DeFi) platforms, decentralized exchanges and smart contract-based projects have led to significant financial losses, adversely affecting market sentiment, investor confidence and ether's valuation. Competition from other blockchain networks, sometimes referred to as "Ethereum alternatives" or "Layer 1 competitors," remains robust. Networks offering potentially superior scalability, lower transaction fees, enhanced privacy or specific technical advantages—such as Solana, Avalanche, Cardano, Polkadot, and others—continue to attract users, developers and investors. Successful adoption and growth of competing blockchain ecosystems could limit Ethereum's market share and ecosystem development, and thus negatively impact ether's long-term valuation. Furthermore, the Ethereum network faces potential governance risks. Decisions regarding protocol upgrades, network policies or operational changes depend on community consensus among diverse stakeholders, including core developers, validators, decentralized autonomous organizations (DAOs), and other influential actors. Disagreements or governance failures within the Ethereum community could result in contentious blockchain forks, fragmentation of resources, diminished market confidence, or value dilution.

<u>China Risk.</u> BITQ's investments in instruments that provide exposure to Chinese companies subject BITQ to risks specific to China. China may be subject to considerable degrees of economic, political and social instability. China is an emerging market and demonstrates significantly higher volatility from time to time in comparison to developed markets. Over the last few decades, the Chinese government has undertaken reform of economic and market practices and has expanded the sphere of private ownership of property in China. However, Chinese markets generally continue to experience inefficiency, volatility and pricing anomalies resulting from governmental influence, a lack of publicly available information and/or political and social instability. Chinese companies are also subject to the risk that Chinese authorities can intervene in their operations and structure. Internal social unrest or confrontations with neighboring countries, including military conflicts in response to such events, may also disrupt economic development in China and result in a greater risk of currency fluctuations, currency non-convertibility, interest rate fluctuations and higher rates of inflation. China has experienced security concerns, such as terrorism and strained international relations. Additionally, China is alleged to have participated in state-sponsored cyberattacks against foreign companies and foreign governments. Actual and threatened responses to such activity and strained international relations, including purchasing restrictions, sanctions, tariffs or cyberattacks on the Chinese government or Chinese companies, may impact China's economy and Chinese issuers of securities in which BITQ invests. Incidents involving China's or the region's security may cause uncertainty in Chinese markets and may adversely affect the Chinese economy and BITQ's investments. Export growth continues to be a major driver of China's rapid economic growth. Reduction in spending on Chinese products and services, supply chain diversification, institution of additional tariffs or other trade barriers (including as a result of heightened trade tensions or a trade war between China and the U.S. or in response to actual or alleged Chinese cyber activity) or a downturn in any of the economies of China's key trading partners may have an adverse impact on the Chinese economy. BITQ's investments may include companies that are subject to economic or trade restrictions (but not investment restrictions) imposed by the U.S. or other governments due to national security, human rights or other concerns of such government. So long as these restrictions do not include restrictions on investments, BITQ is generally expected to invest in such companies. Chinese companies are not subject to the same degree of regulatory requirements, accounting standards or auditor oversight as companies in more developed countries. As a result, information about the Chinese securities in which BITQ invests may be less reliable or complete. Chinese companies with securities listed on U.S. exchanges may be delisted if they do not meet U.S. accounting standards and auditor oversight requirements, which would significantly decrease the liquidity and value of the securities. There may be significant obstacles to obtaining information necessary for investigations into or litigation against Chinese companies, and shareholders may have limited legal remedies.

<u>Common Stock Risk</u>. Common stock holds the lowest priority in the capital structure of a company and, therefore, takes the largest share of the company's risk and its accompanying volatility. The value of the common stock held by BITQ may fall due to general market and economic conditions, perceptions regarding the industries in which the issuers of securities held by BITQ participate, or facts relating to specific companies in which BITQ invests.

<u>Crypto Asset Risk</u>. Certain of the Fund's investments may be subject to the risks associated with investing in crypto assets, including cryptocurrencies and crypto tokens. Such companies may be subject to the risk that the technology that facilitates the transfer of a cryptocurrency could fail or be affected by connectivity disruptions, fraud or cyberattacks; that because crypto assets are a new technological innovation with a limited history, they are highly speculative assets; that future regulatory actions or policies may limit the ability to sell, exchange or use a crypto asset; that the price of a crypto asset may be impacted by the transactions of a small number of holders of such crypto asset; and that a crypto asset will decline in popularity, acceptance or use, thereby impairing its price.

<u>Depositary Receipt Risk</u>. Depositary receipts are subject to the risks associated with investing directly in foreign securities. In addition, investments in depositary receipts may be less liquid than the underlying shares in their primary trading market.

Emerging Markets Securities Risk. Emerging markets are subject to greater market volatility, lower trading volume, political and economic instability, uncertainty regarding the existence of trading markets and more governmental limitations on foreign investment than more developed markets. In addition, securities in emerging markets may be subject to greater price fluctuations than securities in more developed markets. Differences in regulatory, accounting, auditing, and financial reporting and recordkeeping standards could impede BITQ's investment adviser's ability to evaluate local companies and impact BITQ's performance. Investments in securities of issuers in emerging markets may also be exposed to risks related to a lack of liquidity, greater potential for market manipulation, issuers' limited reliable access to capital, and foreign investment structures. Additionally, BITQ may have limited rights and remedies available to it to pursue claims against issuers in emerging markets.

<u>Financial Companies Risk.</u> Companies in the financials sector are subject to extensive governmental regulation and intervention, which may adversely affect the scope of their activities, the prices they can charge, the amount of capital and liquid assets they must maintain and, potentially, their size. Governmental regulation may change frequently and may have significant adverse consequences for companies in the financials sector, including effects not intended by such regulation. Increased risk taking by financial companies may also result in greater overall risk in the U.S. and global financials sector. The impact of changes in capital requirements, or recent or future regulation in various countries, on any individual financial company or on the financials sector as a whole cannot be predicted.

<u>Foreign Securities Risk</u>. Investments in non-U.S. securities involve certain risks that may not be present with investments in U.S. securities. For example, investments in non-U.S. securities may be subject to risk of loss due to foreign currency fluctuations or to expropriation, nationalization or adverse political or economic developments. Foreign securities may have relatively low market liquidity and decreased publicly available information about issuers. Investments in non-

U.S. securities also may be subject to withholding or other taxes and may be subject to additional trading, settlement, custodial, and operational risks. Non-U.S. issuers may also be subject to inconsistent and potentially less stringent accounting, auditing, financial reporting and investor protection standards than U.S. issuers. These and other factors can make investments in BITQ more volatile and potentially less liquid than other types of investments. In addition, where all or a portion of BITQ's portfolio holdings trade in markets that are closed when BITQ's market is open, there may be valuation differences that could lead to differences between BITQ's market price and the value of BITQ's portfolio holdings.

<u>Information Technology Companies Risk.</u> Information technology companies face intense competition, both domestically and internationally, which may have an adverse effect on profit margins. Like other technology companies, information technology companies may have limited product lines, markets, financial resources or personnel. The products of information technology companies may face obsolescence due to rapid technological developments, frequent new product introduction, unpredictable changes in growth rates and competition for the services of qualified personnel. Companies in the information technology sector are heavily dependent on patent and intellectual property rights. The loss or impairment of these rights may adversely affect the profitability of these companies. Information technology companies are facing increased government and regulatory scrutiny and may be subject to adverse government or regulatory action.

<u>Passive Investment Risk</u>. BITQ is not actively managed and, therefore, BITQ would not sell a security due to current or projected underperformance of the security, industry or sector, unless that security is removed from the Index or selling the security is otherwise required upon a rebalancing of the BITQ Index.

<u>Small- and Mid-Capitalization Companies Risk</u>. The small- and mid-capitalization companies in which BITQ invests may be more vulnerable to adverse business or economic events than larger, more established companies, and may underperform other segments of the market or the equity market as a whole. Securities of small- and mid-capitalization companies generally trade in lower volumes, are often more vulnerable to market volatility and are subject to greater and more unpredictable price changes than larger capitalization stocks or the stock market as a whole.

Active Management Risk. The Fund is actively managed, and its performance reflects investment decisions that the Adviser makes for the Fund. Such judgments about the Fund's investments may prove to be incorrect. If the investments selected and the strategies employed by the Fund fail to produce the intended results, the Fund could underperform as compared to other funds with similar investment objectives and/or strategies or could have negative returns.

Clearing Member Default Risk. Transactions in some types of derivatives, including the options held by the Fund, are required to be centrally cleared ("cleared derivatives"). In a transaction involving cleared derivatives, the Fund's counterparty is a clearinghouse, such as the OCC, rather than a bank or broker. Since the Fund is not a member of clearinghouses, and only members of a clearinghouse ("clearing members") can participate directly in the clearinghouse, the Fund will hold cleared derivatives through accounts at clearing members. With regard to its cleared derivatives positions, the Fund will make payments (including margin payments) to, and receive payments from, a clearinghouse through their accounts at clearing members. Customer funds held at a clearing organization in connection with

any option contracts are held in a commingled omnibus account and are not associated with any of the clearing member's individual customers by name. As a result, assets deposited by the Fund with any clearing member as margin for its options position may, in certain circumstances, be used to satisfy losses of other clients of the Fund's clearing member. In addition, although clearing members guarantee performance of their clients' obligations to the clearinghouse, there is a risk that the assets of the Fund might not be fully protected in the event of the clearing member's bankruptcy. The Fund is also subject to the risk that a limited number of clearing members are willing to transact on the Fund's behalf, which heightens the risks associated with a clearing member's default. If a clearing member defaults, the Fund could lose some or all of the benefits of a transaction entered into by the Fund with the clearing member. The loss of a clearing member for the Fund to transact with could result in increased transaction costs and other operational issues that could impede the Fund's ability to implement its investment strategy. If the Fund cannot find a clearing member to transact with on the Fund's behalf, the Fund may be unable to effectively implement its investment strategy.

Concentration Risk. The Fund is susceptible to an increased risk of loss, including losses due to adverse events that affect the Fund's investments more than the market as a whole, to the extent that the Fund's investments are concentrated in an industry or group of industries.

Cybersecurity Risk. The Fund is susceptible to operational risks due to breaches in cybersecurity. A breach in cybersecurity refers to both intentional and unintentional events that may cause the Fund to lose proprietary information, suffer data corruption or lose operational capacity. Such events could cause the Fund to incur regulatory penalties, reputational damage, additional compliance costs associated with corrective measures and/or financial loss. Cybersecurity breaches may involve unauthorized access to the Fund's digital information systems through "hacking" or malicious software coding but may also result from outside attacks such as denial-of-service attacks due to efforts to make network services unavailable to intended users. In addition, cybersecurity breaches of the Fund's third-party service providers, such as its administrator, transfer agent, custodian or sub-advisor, as applicable, or the issuers in which the Fund invests, can also subject the Fund to many of the same risks associated with direct cybersecurity breaches. Although the Fund has established risk management systems designed to reduce the risks associated with cybersecurity, there is no guarantee that such efforts will succeed, especially because the Fund does not directly control the cybersecurity systems of issuers or third-party service providers.

Derivatives Risk. The use of derivative instruments involves risks different from, or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities and other traditional investments. These risks include: (i) the risk that the counterparty to a derivative transaction may not fulfill its contractual obligations; (ii) the risk of mispricing or improper valuation; and (iii) the risk that changes in the value of the derivative may not correlate perfectly with the underlying asset. Derivative prices are highly volatile and may fluctuate substantially during a short period of time. Such prices are influenced by numerous factors that affect the markets, including, but not limited to: changing supply and demand relationships; government programs and policies; national and international political and economic events, changes in interest rates, inflation and deflation and changes in supply and demand relationships. Trading derivative instruments involves risks different from, or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities. Derivative contracts ordinarily have leverage inherent in their terms. The use of leverage may cause the Fund to liquidate portfolio positions when it would not be advantageous to do so in order to satisfy its obligations or to meet regulatory or contractual requirements

for derivatives. The use of derivatives can magnify potential for gain or loss and, therefore, amplify the effects of market volatility on share price.

FLEX Options Risk. Trading FLEX Options involves risks different from, or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities. The Fund may experience losses from specific FLEX Option positions and certain FLEX Option positions may expire worthless. The FLEX Options are listed on an exchange; however, no one can guarantee that a liquid secondary trading market will exist for the FLEX Options. In the event that trading in the FLEX Options is limited or absent, the value of the Fund's FLEX Options may decrease. In a less liquid market for the FLEX Options, liquidating the FLEX Options may require the payment of a premium (for written FLEX Options) or acceptance of a discounted price (for purchased FLEX Options) and may take longer to complete. A less liquid trading market may adversely impact the value of the FLEX Options and Fund Shares and result in the Fund being unable to achieve its investment objective. Less liquidity in the trading of the Fund's FLEX Options could have an impact on the prices paid or received by the Fund for the FLEX Options in connection with creations and redemptions of Fund Shares. Depending on the nature of this impact to pricing, the Fund may be forced to pay more for redemptions (or receive less for creations) than the price at which it currently values the FLEX Options. Such overpayment or under collection could reduce the Fund's ability to achieve its investment objective. Additionally, in a less liquid market for the FLEX Options, the liquidation of a large number of options may more significantly impact the price. A less liquid trading market may adversely impact the value of the FLEX Options and the value of your investment. The trading in FLEX Options may be less deep and liquid than the market for certain other exchange-traded options, non-customized options or other securities.

Leverage Risk. While the Fund does not seek leveraged exposure to BITQ, the Fund seeks to achieve and maintain the exposure to the price of BITQ by using the leverage inherent in options contracts. Therefore, the Fund is subject to leverage risk. When the Fund purchases or sells an instrument or enters into a transaction without investing an amount equal to the full economic exposure of the instrument or transaction, it creates leverage, which can result in the Fund losing more than it originally invested. As a result, these investments may magnify losses to the Fund, and even a small market movement may result in significant losses to the Fund. Leverage may also cause the Fund to be more volatile because it may exaggerate the effect of any increase or decrease in the value of the Fund's portfolio securities. Options trading involves a degree of leverage and, as a result, a relatively small price movement in futures instruments may result in immediate and substantial losses to the Fund.

Liquidity Risk. The market for options on BITQ may be subject to periods of illiquidity. During such times it may be difficult or impossible to buy or sell a position at the desired price. Market disruptions or volatility can also make it difficult to find a counterparty willing to transact at a reasonable price and sufficient size. Illiquid markets may cause losses, which could be significant. The large size of the positions which the Fund may acquire increases the risk of illiquidity, may make its positions more difficult to liquidate, and may increase the losses incurred while trying to do so. Such large positions also may impact the price of options on BITQ.

New Fund Risk. The Fund is a recently organized investment company with a limited operating history. As a result, prospective investors have a limited track record or history on which to base their investment decision.

Non-Diversification Risk. As a "non-diversified" fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of the Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

Operational Risk. The Fund is subject to risks arising from various operational factors, including, but not limited to, human error; processing and communication errors; errors of the Fund's service providers, counterparties or other third parties; failed or inadequate processes; and technology or systems failures. The Fund relies on third parties for a range of services, including custody. Any delay or failure relating to engaging or maintaining such service providers may affect the Fund's ability to meet its investment objective. Although the Fund and the Adviser seek to reduce these operational risks through controls and procedures, there is no way to completely protect against such risks.

Options Risk. The use of options involves investment strategies and risks different from those associated with ordinary portfolio securities transactions and depends on the ability of the Fund's portfolio managers to forecast market movements correctly. The prices of options are volatile and are influenced by, among other things, actual and anticipated changes in the value of the underlying instrument, or in interest or currency exchange rates, including the anticipated volatility, which in turn are affected by fiscal and monetary policies and by national and international political and economic events. The effective use of options also depends on the Fund's ability to terminate option positions at times deemed desirable to do so. There is no assurance that the Fund will be able to effect closing transactions at any particular time or at an acceptable price. In addition, there may at times be an imperfect correlation between the movement in values of options and their underlying securities and there may at times not be a liquid secondary market for certain options.

Portfolio Turnover Risk. The Fund may experience high levels of portfolio turnover. A high portfolio turnover rate increases transaction costs, which may increase the Fund's expenses. Frequent trading may also cause adverse tax consequences for investors in the Fund due to an increase in short-term capital gains.

Special Tax Risk. The Fund intends to qualify as a "regulated investment company" or "RIC." If, in any year, the Fund fails to qualify as a regulated investment company under the applicable tax laws, the Fund would be taxed as an ordinary corporation. The Fund intends to treat any income it may derive from the FLEX Options as "qualifying income" under the provisions of the Code applicable to RICs. In addition, based upon language in the legislative history, the Fund intends to treat the issuer of the FLEX Options as the referenced asset, which may allow the Fund to qualify for special rules in the RIC diversification requirements. If the income is not qualifying income or the issuer of the FLEX Options is not appropriately the referenced asset, the Fund may lose its own status as a RIC if tax positions reflected by such options are large enough.

Structural ETF Risks. The Fund is an ETF. Accordingly, it is subject to certain risks associated with its unique structure.

<u>Active Market Risk</u>. Although Fund Shares are listed for trading on the Exchange, there can be no assurance that an active trading market for Fund Shares will develop or be maintained. Fund Shares trade on the Exchange at market prices that may be below, at or above the Fund's net

asset value. Securities, including Fund Shares, are subject to market fluctuations and liquidity constraints that may be caused by such factors as economic, political, or regulatory developments, changes in interest rates and/or perceived trends in securities prices. Fund Shares could decline in value or underperform other investments.

<u>Authorized Participant Concentration Risk</u>. Only an Authorized Participant may engage in creation or redemption transactions directly with the Fund, and none of those Authorized Participants is obligated to engage in creation and/or redemption transactions. The Fund has a limited number of institutions that may act as Authorized Participants on an agency basis (*i.e.*, on behalf of other market participants). To the extent that Authorized Participants exit the business or are unable to proceed with creation or redemption orders with respect to the Fund and no other Authorized Participant is able to step forward to create or redeem, Fund Shares may be more likely to trade at a premium or discount to NAV and possibly face trading halts or delisting. Authorized Participant concentration risk may be heightened for ETFs, such as the Fund, which invest in securities issued by non-U.S. issuers or other securities or instruments that have lower trading volumes.

<u>Cash Transactions Risk</u>. The Fund currently expects to effect a significant portion of its creations and redemptions for cash, rather than in-kind securities. Paying redemption proceeds in cash rather than through in-kind delivery of portfolio securities may require the Fund to dispose of or sell portfolio securities or other assets at an inopportune time to obtain the cash needed to meet redemption orders. This may cause the Fund to sell a security and recognize a capital gain or loss that might not have been incurred if it had made a redemption in-kind. As a result, the Fund may pay out higher or lower annual capital gains distributions than ETFs that redeem in-kind. The use of cash creations and redemptions may also cause Fund Shares to trade in the market at greater bid-ask spreads or greater premiums or discounts to the Fund's NAV. Furthermore, the Fund may not be able to execute cash transactions for creation and redemption purposes at the same price used to determine the Fund's NAV. To the extent that the maximum additional charge for creation or redemption transactions is insufficient to cover the execution shortfall, the Fund's performance could be negatively impacted.

<u>Costs of Buying and Selling Fund Shares</u>. Due to the costs of buying or selling Fund Shares, including brokerage commissions imposed by brokers and bid/ask spreads, frequent trading of Fund Shares may significantly reduce investment results, and an investment in Fund Shares may not be advisable for investors who anticipate regularly making small investments.

<u>Premium/Discount Risk</u>. As with all exchange-traded funds, Fund Shares may be bought and sold in the secondary market at market prices. The trading prices of Fund Shares in the secondary market may differ from the Fund's daily net asset value per share and there may be times when the market price of the shares is more than the net asset value per share (premium) or less than the net asset value per share (discount). This risk is heightened in times of market volatility or periods of steep market declines.

U.S. Government Securities Risk. U.S. government securities are subject to interest rate risk but generally do not involve the credit risks associated with investments in other types of debt securities. As a result, the yields available from U.S. government securities are generally lower than the yields available

from other debt securities. U.S. government securities are guaranteed only as to the timely payment of interest and the payment of principal when held to maturity.

Valuation Risk. The Fund may hold securities or other assets that may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur because the asset or security does not trade on a centralized exchange, or in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including "fair valued" assets or securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. The Fund's ability to value investments may be impacted by technological issues or errors by pricing services or other third-party service providers.

Performance

As of the date of this prospectus, the Fund has not yet commenced operations and therefore does not have a performance history. Once available, the Fund's performance information will be accessible on the Fund's website at https://www.ibqetf.com and will provide some indication of the risks of investing in the Fund.

Management

Investment Adviser: Bitwise Investment Manager, LLC

<u>Portfolio Managers</u>: Jennifer Thornton, Portfolio Manager at BIM, Daniela Padilla, Portfolio Manager at BIM and Gayatri Choudhury, Quantitative Investment Analyst at BIM, are the individuals that are primarily and jointly responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund. Each has served as portfolio manager since the Fund's inception in August 2025.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the Exchange, other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through a broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at NAV, Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount). When buying or selling Fund Shares in the secondary market, you may incur costs attributable to the difference between the highest price a buyer is willing to pay to purchase Fund Shares (bid) and the lowest price a seller is willing to accept for

Fund Shares (ask) (the "bid-ask spread"). Recent information regarding the Fund's NAV, market price, premiums and discounts, and bid-ask spreads is available at https://www.ibqetf.com.

Tax Information

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income, qualified dividend income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser, Foreside Fund Services, LLC, the Fund's distributor, may pay the intermediary for the sale of Fund Shares and related services. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

Bitwise Ethereum Option Income Strategy ETF

Investment Objective

The Fund's primary investment objective is to provide current income. The Fund's secondary investment objective is to provide exposure to the price return of one or more exchange-traded products that provide exposure to ether, subject to a limit on potential investment gains.

Fees and Expenses of the Fund

The table below describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the Fund ("Fund Shares"). You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and example below.

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)

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Management Fees	0.95%
Distribution and Service (12b-1) Fees	0.00%
Other Expenses ⁽¹⁾	0.00%
Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses ⁽¹⁾	0.02%
Total Fund Operating Expenses	0.97%

^{(1) &}quot;Other Expenses" and "Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses" are estimates based on the expenses the Fund expects to incur for the current fiscal year.

Example

This example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other funds. The example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated and then sell all of your Fund Shares at the end of those periods. The example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

Year 1	Year 3
\$99	\$309

Portfolio Turnover

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund Shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the example, affect the Fund's performance. Because the Fund has not yet commenced operations, portfolio turnover information is unavailable at this time.

Principal Investment Strategies

The Fund is an actively managed ETF that seeks to provide current income while providing exposure to the share price (*i.e.*, the price returns) of one or more exchange-traded products that hold ether directly or provide exposure to ether through investments in futures contracts that utilize ether as a reference asset (each, an "Ether ETP," and together, the "Ether ETPs"), subject to a limit on potential investment gains. The Fund seeks to achieve these investment objectives through the use of a synthetic covered call strategy. The Fund seeks to provide its synthetic exposure to the price return of the Ether ETP(s) through the purchase and sale of a combination of call and put option contracts that utilize an Ether ETP as the reference asset ("Ether ETP Call Options" and "Ether ETP Put Options," respectively, and together, "Ether ETP Options"). The Fund will also sell Ether ETP Call Options in seeking to provide income in the form of option premiums. However, the sale of Ether ETP Call Options to generate income will also limit the degree to which the Fund will participate in investment gains experienced by the Ether ETP(s). **The Fund does not invest directly in ether**.

The Fund will invest at least 80% of its net assets plus borrowings in Ether ETP Options. For purposes of compliance with this investment policy, derivative contracts will be valued at their notional value.

In implementing its investment strategy, the Fund will invest in traditional exchange-traded options contracts and/or FLexible EXchange® options ("FLEX Options") that utilize an Ether ETP as the reference asset. The Fund will only invest in options contracts that are listed for trading on regulated U.S. exchanges. Traditional exchange-traded options have standardized terms, such as the type (call or put), the reference asset, the strike price and expiration date. Exchange-listed options contracts are guaranteed for settlement by the Options Clearing Corporation ("OCC"). FLEX Options are a type of exchange-listed options contract with uniquely customizable terms that allow investors to customize key terms like type, strike price and expiration date that are standardized in a typical options contract. FLEX Options are also guaranteed for settlement by the OCC. It is anticipated that the Fund will invest primarily in FLEX Options. The FLEX Options held by the Fund may be either physical or cash settled.

In general, an option is a contract that gives the purchaser (holder) of the option, in return for a premium, the right to buy from (call) or sell to (put) the seller (writer) of the option the asset underlying the option (in this case, an Ether ETP) at a specified exercise price. The writer of an option has the obligation upon exercise of the option to deliver the underlying asset upon payment of the exercise price (call) or to pay the exercise price upon delivery of the underlying asset (put). The Fund may utilize both European and American style options. An option is said to be "European Style" when it can be exercised only at expiration whereas an "American Style" option can be exercised at any time prior to expiration.

In a traditional covered call strategy, an investor (such as the Fund) sells a call option on a security it already owns. However, the Fund will derive its exposure to the Ether ETP(s) through the use of Ether ETP Options. It is this distinction that causes the Fund's strategy to be properly termed as a "synthetic covered call strategy," as opposed to a traditional covered call strategy, because the Fund primarily has synthetic exposure to the Ether ETP(s). The Fund's synthetic exposure to the Ether ETP(s) is achieved through the combination of purchasing Ether ETP Call Options and selling Ether ETP Put Options generally at the same strike price, which synthetically creates the upside and downside participation in the price returns of the Ether ETP(s). The Fund will primarily gain exposure to increases in value experienced by the Ether ETP(s) through the purchase of Ether ETP Call Options. As a buyer of these options, the Fund pays a premium to the seller of the options. The Fund will primarily gain exposure to

decreases in value experienced by the Ether ETP(s) through the sale of Ether ETP Put Options. As the seller of these options, the Fund receives a premium from the buyer of the options. In combination, the purchased Ether ETP Call Options and sold Ether ETP Put Options generally provide exposure to price returns of the Ether ETP(s) both on the upside and downside. The Fund intends to continuously maintain exposure to the Ether ETP(s) through the use of Ether ETP Options. When such options expire or are exercised, the Fund will enter into new options. This is a practice referred to as "rolling." The Fund's practice of rolling options may result in higher levels of portfolio turnover.

As the primary means by which the Fund intends to generate income, the Fund will sell Ether ETP Call Options at a strike price that is expected to be approximately between 0% and 15% above the thencurrent share price of an Ether ETP. It is important to note that the sale of these Ether ETP Call Options to generate income will limit the Fund's ability to participate in increases in value of an Ether ETP's share price beyond a certain point. If the share price of an Ether ETP increases, the above-referenced synthetic long exposure would allow the Fund to experience similar percentage gains. However, if an Ether ETP's share price appreciates in value beyond the strike price of one or more of the Ether ETP Call Options that the Fund has sold to generate income, the Fund will lose money on those short call positions, and the losses will, in turn, limit the upside return of the Fund's synthetic long exposure. As a result, the Fund's overall strategy (i.e., the combination of the synthetic long exposure to the Ether ETP(s) and the sold Ether ETP Call Options) will limit the Fund's participation in gains of an Ether ETP's share price beyond a certain point. This strategy effectively converts a portion of the potential upside price return growth of the Ether ETP(s) into current income. Such income may be less than the upside return of the Ether ETP(s). It is expected that the call options the Fund will sell to generate options premiums will generally have expirations of approximately one year or less and will be held to or close to expiration.

In addition to the options contracts, the Fund will also invest in cash and short-term U.S. Treasury securities, which will serve to collateralize the Fund's Ether ETP Options and provide additional income. The market value of the cash and short-term U.S. Treasury securities held by the Fund is expected to be between 50% and 100% of the Fund's net assets and the market value of the options package is expected to be between 0% and 50% of the Fund's net assets. In terms of notional value, the combination of these investment instruments provides indirect investment exposure to the Ether ETP(s) equal to at least 100% of the Fund's total assets.

The Fund is classified as "non-diversified" under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act").

It is critical that investors understand the following:

- 1. An investment in the Fund is not an investment in an Ether ETP.
- 2. The Fund's strategy is subject to all potential losses if shares of Ether ETPs decrease in value, which may not be offset by income received by the Fund.
- 3. The Fund does not invest directly in shares of an Ether ETP.

Additional Information About the Ether ETPs

The Ether ETPs serving as the reference asset for Ether ETP Options may be structured as ETPs that hold ether directly ("Spot Ether ETPs") or as ETFs that derive exposure to ether through investments in exchange-traded futures contracts that utilize ether as the reference asset ("Ether Futures ETFs").

Spot Ether ETPs are organized as Delaware statutory trusts, issuing shares that represent fractional, undivided beneficial interests in their respective net assets, which consist almost exclusively of ether. Each Spot Ether ETP aims to closely track ether's price performance. Spot Ether ETPs are not registered as investment companies under the 1940 Act. Additionally, their sponsors are not registered with the SEC as investment advisers and, therefore, are not subject to SEC regulation in that capacity regarding their activities related to managing the Spot Ether ETPs. Moreover, Spot Ether ETPs are not classified as commodity pools under the Commodity Exchange Act of 1936, as amended (the "CEA"), and consequently, the sponsors are not regulated by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the "CFTC") as commodity pool operators or commodity trading advisors with respect to their operation of the Ether ETPs. Spot Ether ETPs are registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and are subject to the informational requirements of the Exchange Act. Information provided to or filed with the SEC by the underlying issuer of a Spot Ether ETP pursuant to the Exchange Act, including financial reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding Ether ETPs, can be located through the SEC's website at www.sec.gov.

Ether Futures ETFs are registered under the 1940 Act and do not invest directly in ether. Ether Futures ETFs seek to provide investment results that correspond to the performance of ether through investments in ether futures contracts. The ether futures contracts held by Ether Futures ETFs are standardized, cash-settled ether futures contracts traded on commodity exchanges registered with the CFTC. Ether Futures ETFs generally seek to invest in cash-settled, front-month ether futures contracts. Certain Ether Futures ETFs gain exposure to ether by investing in ether futures contracts through a wholly-owned subsidiary of the fund organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands. Because such Ether Futures ETFs intend to qualify for treatment as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code"), such Ether Futures ETFs intend to invest no more than 25% of its total assets in the subsidiary at each quarter end of the fund's tax year. An Ether Futures ETF may also utilize reverse repurchase agreements during certain times of the year to help maintain the desired level of exposure to ether futures contracts.

Principal Risks

As with all investments, there are certain risks of investing in the Fund. Fund Shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. The order of the risk factors set forth below does not indicate the significance of any particular risk factor.

Market Risk. Market risk is the risk that a particular investment, or Fund Shares in general, may fall in value. Securities are subject to market fluctuations caused by real or perceived adverse economic, political, and regulatory factors or market developments, changes in interest rates, disruptions to trade, impositions of tariffs and perceived trends in securities prices. Fund Shares could decline in value or underperform other investments. In addition, local, regional or global events such as war, acts of terrorism, market manipulation, government defaults, government shutdowns, regulatory actions, political changes, diplomatic developments, the imposition of sanctions and other similar measures,

spread of infectious diseases or other public health issues, recessions, natural disasters or other events could have a significant negative impact on the Fund and its investments. Any of such circumstances could have a materially negative impact on the value of Fund Shares, the liquidity of an investment and may result in increased market volatility. During any such events, Fund Shares may trade at increased premiums or discounts to their net asset value, the bid/ask spread on Fund Shares may widen and the returns on investment may fluctuate.

Covered Call Strategy Risk. A covered call strategy involves writing (selling) covered call options in return for the receipt of premiums. The seller of the option gives up the opportunity to benefit from price increases in the underlying instrument above the exercise price of the options but continues to bear the risk of underlying instrument price declines. The premiums received from the options may not be sufficient to offset any losses sustained from underlying instrument price declines over time. As a result, the risks associated with writing covered call options may be similar to the risks associated with writing put options. Exchanges may suspend the trading of options during periods of abnormal market volatility. Suspension of trading may mean that an option seller is unable to sell options at a time that may be desirable or advantageous to do so.

The covered call strategy utilized by the Fund is "synthetic" because the Fund's exposure to the price return of the Ether ETP(s) is derived through options exposure rather than direct holdings of the shares of the Ether ETP(s). Because such exposure is synthetic, it is possible that the Fund's participation in the price return of the Ether ETP(s) may not be as precise as if the Fund were directly holding shares of the Ether ETP(s).

Spot Ether ETP Risks. The Fund may have exposure to Spot Ether ETPs through its utilization of Ether ETP Options that utilize a Spot Ether ETP as the reference asset. Accordingly, the Fund will be subject to the risks of Spot Ether ETPs set forth below.

<u>Ether Risk</u>. Ether is subject to significant volatility, rapid price fluctuations and uncertainty. While ether has experienced substantial growth in institutional adoption, regulatory recognition and technological maturity, its value remains influenced by market sentiment, speculative investment activities, macroeconomic factors and ongoing technological developments rather than purely traditional fundamental analysis. Ethereum is an evolving blockchain platform that continues to undergo substantial upgrades, such as the transition from Proof-of-Work to Proofof-Stake (Ethereum 2.0 or the "Merge") and the ongoing rollout of scalability improvements (including Layer 2 solutions such as rollups). These complex technological upgrades are intended to improve Ethereum's scalability, security, transaction throughput, energy efficiency and usability. However, each significant update introduces risks including technical vulnerabilities, potential software flaws, delays in development, operational disruptions or unintended economic impacts, any of which could negatively affect investor confidence, the adoption of the Ethereum blockchain or ether's valuation. The regulatory environment for ether and the Ethereum blockchain remains uncertain and varied globally. While certain jurisdictions have provided increased regulatory clarity and oversight, significant regulatory risks persist. Unanticipated regulatory actions—including enforcement actions, reclassification of ether's regulatory status (such as a security versus commodity) or significant policy changes—could materially impact ether's value and liquidity. Investors should remain aware that shifts in regulatory classification or compliance requirements may adversely impact the viability, market perception or utility of ether. The Ethereum ecosystem relies heavily on smart contracts—computer code deployed on the Ethereum blockchain capable of automating financial transactions, asset management and decentralized application (dApp) functionalities. While smart contracts enable substantial innovation, they remain vulnerable to coding errors, exploitation, hacks and manipulation. Past security breaches involving decentralized finance (DeFi) platforms, decentralized exchanges and smart contract-based projects have led to significant financial losses, adversely affecting market sentiment, investor confidence and ether's valuation. Competition from other blockchain networks, sometimes referred to as "Ethereum alternatives" or "Layer 1 competitors," remains robust. Networks offering potentially superior scalability, lower transaction fees, enhanced privacy or specific technical advantages—such as Solana, Avalanche, Cardano, Polkadot and others—continue to attract users, developers and investors. Successful adoption and growth of competing blockchain ecosystems could limit Ethereum's market share, ecosystem development and thus negatively impact ether's long-term valuation. Furthermore, the Ethereum network faces potential governance risks. Decisions regarding protocol upgrades, network policies, or operational changes depend on community consensus among diverse stakeholders, including core developers, validators, decentralized autonomous organizations (DAOs) and other influential actors. Disagreements or governance failures within the Ethereum community could result in contentious blockchain forks, fragmentation of resources, diminished market confidence or value dilution.

<u>Custody Risk</u>. Security breaches, computer malware and computer hacking attacks have been a prevalent concern in relation to digital assets. The ether held by the Spot Ether ETPs' custodian will likely be an appealing target to hackers or malware distributors seeking to destroy, damage or steal the Spot Ether ETPs' ether. To the extent that the Spot Ether ETPs and their service providers are unable to identify and mitigate or stop new security threats or otherwise adapt to technological changes in the digital asset industry, a Spot Ether ETP's ether may be subject to theft, loss, destruction or other attack. The Spot Ether ETPs have put security procedures in place to prevent such theft, loss or destruction, including but not limited to, offline storage, or cold storage, multiple encrypted private key "shards" and other measures. Nevertheless, the security procedures cannot guarantee the prevention of any loss due to a security breach, software defect or act of God that may be borne by the Spot Ether ETPs and the security procedures may not protect against all errors, software flaws or other vulnerabilities in a Spot Ether ETP's technical infrastructure, which could result in theft, loss or damage of its assets. The Spot Ether ETPs do not control the operations of their service providers or their implementation of such security procedures, and there can be no assurance that such security procedures will actually work as designed or prove to be successful in safeguarding a Spot Ether ETP's assets against all possible sources of theft, loss or damage. Assets not held in cold storage, such as assets held in a trading account, may be more vulnerable to security breach, hacking or loss than assets held in cold storage. Furthermore, assets held in a trading account are held on an omnibus rather than segregated basis, which creates greater risk of loss. The security procedures and operational infrastructure may be breached due to the actions of outside parties, error or malfeasance of an employee of a Spot Ether ETP's service providers, and, as a result, an unauthorized party may obtain access to the Spot Ether ETP's account at the custodian where its ether is held, the relevant private keys (and therefore ether) or other data or property of a Spot Ether ETP. Additionally, outside parties may attempt to fraudulently induce employees of a Spot Ether ETP or its service providers to disclose sensitive information in order to gain access to a Spot Ether ETP's

infrastructure. As the techniques used to obtain unauthorized access, disable or degrade service, or sabotage systems change frequently, or may be designed to remain dormant until a predetermined event and often are not recognized until launched against a target, a Spot Ether ETP and its service providers may be unable to anticipate these techniques or implement adequate preventative measures.

Digital Asset Trading Platforms Risk. Digital asset trading platforms remain relatively new and vary significantly in terms of regulation, transparency, operational stability and compliance standards. While certain prominent trading platforms—particularly those based in the United States—have substantially improved transparency, compliance, and regulatory adherence, many platforms still operate internationally or offshore with significantly less stringent oversight. Platforms located outside the United States may be subject to minimal or inconsistent regulatory enforcement and often do not provide sufficient public information regarding their management structure, ownership, financial stability, cybersecurity practices, or compliance controls. Despite increased institutional involvement, enhanced security measures, and more standardized operating practices adopted by leading platforms, digital asset exchanges continue to be vulnerable to cybersecurity threats, hacking incidents, fraudulent activities, operational disruptions and other technical risks. High-profile failures, breaches or shutdowns of major trading platforms or custodians—such as those arising from fraud, cybersecurity incidents, regulatory enforcement actions or insolvency—can significantly reduce investor confidence, increase market volatility and potentially trigger contagion effects across the digital asset ecosystem. Regulatory developments and enforcement actions continue to shape the landscape in which digital asset platforms operate. Recent regulatory scrutiny has heightened globally, particularly in jurisdictions with substantial trading volumes, such as the United States, Europe and Asia. Increased regulatory oversight, while potentially positive for market stability in the long run, can create short-term disruption, reduce liquidity, prompt platform closures or alter business models substantially, thereby affecting the prices of digital assets, including ether. Investors should be aware that trading or custodying ether on less transparent or poorly regulated platforms increases the risk of losing access to digital assets due to platform insolvency, hacking incidents, regulatory intervention or operational failure. Although improvements have been made, the digital asset marketplace remains inherently riskier than traditional financial markets, and investors may have limited recourse if a digital asset trading platform fails or is compromised.

<u>Irrevocability of Transactions Risk</u>. Ether transactions are typically not reversible without the consent and active participation of the recipient of the transaction. Once a transaction has been verified and recorded in a block that is added to the Ethereum blockchain, an incorrect transfer or theft of ether generally will not be reversible, and a Spot Ether ETP may not be capable of seeking compensation for any such transfer or theft. It is possible that, through computer or human error, or through theft or other criminal action, a Spot Ether ETP's ether could be transferred from a Spot Ether ETP's account at its custodian in incorrect amounts or to unauthorized third parties, or to uncontrolled accounts.

<u>Trading Halt Risk</u>. Trading in shares of a Spot Ether ETP on U.S. securities exchanges may be halted due to market conditions or for reasons that, in the view of an exchange, make trading in shares of a Spot Ether ETP inadvisable. In addition, trading of shares of a Spot Ether ETP on

securities exchanges is subject to trading halts caused by extraordinary market volatility pursuant to an exchange's "circuit breaker" rules. Shares of a Spot Ether ETP may be at a higher risk of a trading halt due to the volatility of ether. In the event that shares of a Spot Ether ETP are subject to a trading halt, the Fund's ability to pursue its principal investment strategy may be impaired and the Fund may be negatively affected.

<u>Volatility Risk</u>. The price of ether remains highly volatile and subject to significant price fluctuations. While recent increases in institutional adoption, clearer regulatory frameworks and broader market acceptance have contributed to greater stability relative to earlier periods, the price of ether continues to be influenced by rapid shifts in market sentiment, regulatory developments, macroeconomic conditions, technological advancements and unforeseen events. The market price of ether has historically experienced dramatic highs and lows over short periods, often with limited or no identifiable catalyst. Given the evolving nature of digital asset markets, price volatility may be amplified by external factors such as changes in global financial markets, geopolitical events, regulatory enforcement actions or significant technological or security incidents. Furthermore, speculative trading, leveraged positions and derivatives markets tied to ether continue to contribute to potential volatility. Investors should remain aware that sudden, substantial price movements may occur at any time, potentially leading to significant losses. Consequently, investments linked directly or indirectly to ether, including Spot Ether ETPs, may experience heightened volatility compared to traditional investment products.

Ether Futures ETFs Risk. The Fund may have exposure to Ether Futures ETFs through its utilization of Ether ETP Options that utilize an Ether Futures ETF as the reference asset. Accordingly, the Fund will be subject to the risks of Ether Futures ETFs set forth below. Ether Futures ETFs are also subject to the risks set forth above in Spot Ether ETPs Risk, as well as Active Management Risk, Concentration Risk, Cybersecurity Risk, Derivatives Risk, Leverage Risk, Liquidity Risk, Operational Risk, Structural ETF Risk, U.S. Government Securities Risk and Valuation Risk set forth below.

Ether Futures Risk. The market for ether futures contracts may be less developed, and potentially less liquid and more volatile, than more established futures markets. While the market for ether futures contracts has grown substantially since ether futures contracts commenced trading, there can be no assurance that this growth will continue. The price for ether futures contracts is based on a number of factors, including the supply of and the demand for ether futures contracts. Market conditions and expectations, position limits, accountability levels, collateral requirements, availability of counterparties, and other factors each can impact the supply of and demand for ether futures contracts. Additionally, due to the high margin requirements that are unique to ether futures contracts, an Ether Futures ETF may experience difficulty maintaining the desired level of exposure to ether futures contracts. If an Ether Futures ETF is unable to achieve such exposure it may not be able to meet its investment objective and the fund's returns may be different or lower than expected. Additionally, collateral requirements may require an Ether Futures ETF to liquidate its positions, potentially incurring losses and expenses, when it otherwise would not do so. Investing in derivatives like ether futures contracts may be considered aggressive and may expose an Ether Futures ETF to significant risks. These risks include counterparty risk and liquidity risk.

<u>Ether Futures Capacity Risk</u>. If an Ether Futures ETF's ability to obtain exposure to ether futures contracts consistent with its investment objective is disrupted for any reason including, for example, limited liquidity in the ether futures contracts market, a disruption to the ether futures contracts market, or as a result of margin requirements, position limits, accountability levels, or other limitations imposed by an Ether Future ETF's futures commission merchants ("FCMs"), the listing exchanges, or the CFTC, an Ether Futures ETF may not be able to achieve its investment objective and may experience significant losses.

Any disruption in an Ether Futures ETF's ability to obtain exposure to ether futures contracts will cause the Ether Futures ETF's performance to deviate from the performance of ether futures contracts, and consequently, ether. Additionally, the ability of an Ether Futures ETF to obtain exposure to ether futures contracts may be limited by certain tax rules that limit the amount an Ether Futures ETF can invest in its wholly-owned subsidiary as of the end of each tax quarter. Exceeding this amount may have tax consequences.

Cost of Futures Investment Risk. When an ether futures contract is nearing expiration, an Ether Futures ETF will "roll" the futures contract, which means it will generally sell the ether futures contract and use the proceeds to buy an ether futures contract with a later expiration date. When rolling futures contracts that are in contango, an Ether Futures ETF would sell a lower priced, expiring contract and purchase a higher priced, longer-dated contract. The price difference between the expiring contract and longer-dated contract associated with rolling futures contracts is typically substantially higher than the price difference associated with rolling other futures contracts. Ether futures contracts have historically experienced extended periods of contango. Contango in the ether futures contracts market may have a significant adverse impact on the performance of an Ether Futures ETF and may cause ether futures contracts, and an Ether Futures ETF, to underperform the current price of ether. Both contango and backwardation would reduce an Ether Futures ETF's correlation to the current price of ether and may limit or prevent an Ether Futures ETF from achieving its investment objective.

Clearing Broker Risk. An Ether Futures ETF's investments in exchange-traded futures contracts expose it to the risks of a clearing broker (or an FCM). Under current regulations, a clearing broker or FCM maintains customers' assets in a bulk segregated account. There is a risk that the assets of an Ether Futures ETF deposited with the clearing broker to serve as margin may be used to satisfy the broker's own obligations or the losses of the broker's other clients. In the event of default, an Ether Futures ETF could experience lengthy delays in recovering some or all of its assets and may not see any recovery at all. Furthermore, an Ether Futures ETF is subject to the risk that no FCM is willing or able to clear the Fund's transactions or maintain an Ether Futures ETF's assets. If an Ether Futures ETF's FCMs are unable or unwilling to clear an Ether Futures ETF's transactions, or if the FCM refuses to maintain an Ether Futures ETF's assets, an Ether Futures ETF will be unable have its orders for ether futures contracts fulfilled or assets custodied. In such a circumstance, the performance of an Ether Futures ETF will likely deviate from the performance of ether and may result in the proportion of ether futures contracts in an Ether Futures ETF's portfolio relative to the total assets of an Ether Futures ETF to decrease.

<u>Commodity Regulatory Risk</u>. An Ether Futures ETF's use of commodities futures subject to regulation by the CFTC has caused an Ether Futures ETF to be classified as a "commodity pool"

and this designation requires that an Ether Futures ETF comply with CFTC rules, which may impose additional regulatory requirements and compliance obligations. An Ether Futures ETF's investment decisions may need to be modified, and commodity contract positions held by an Ether Futures ETF may have to be liquidated at disadvantageous times or prices, to avoid exceeding any applicable position limits established by the CFTC, potentially subjecting an Ether Futures ETF to substantial losses. The regulation of commodity transactions in the United States is subject to ongoing modification by government, self-regulatory and judicial action. The effect of any future regulatory change with respect to any aspect of an Ether Futures ETF is impossible to predict, but could be substantial and adverse to an Ether Futures ETF.

Futures Contract Risk. Risks of futures contracts include: (i) an imperfect correlation between the value of the futures contract and the underlying asset; (ii) possible lack of a liquid secondary market; (iii) the inability to close a futures contract when desired; (iv) losses caused by unanticipated market movements, which may be unlimited; (v) an obligation for an Ether Futures ETF to make daily cash payments to maintain its required margin, particularly at times when an Ether Futures ETF may have insufficient cash; and (vi) unfavorable execution prices from rapid selling. Unlike equities, which typically entitle the holder to a continuing stake in a corporation, futures contracts normally specify a certain date for settlement in cash based on the reference asset. As the futures contracts approach expiration, they may be replaced by similar contracts that have a later expiration. This process is referred to as "rolling." If the market for these contracts is in "contango," meaning that the prices of futures contracts in the nearer months are lower than the price of contracts in the distant months, the sale of the near-term month contract would be at a lower price than the longer-term contract, resulting in a cost to "roll" the futures contract. The actual realization of a potential roll cost will be dependent upon the difference in price of the near and distant contract. The costs associated with rolling ether futures contracts may have a significant adverse impact on the performance of the Ether Futures ETF.

<u>Subsidiary Investment Risk</u>. Changes in the laws of the United States and/or the Cayman Islands, under which certain Ether Futures ETFs and their wholly-owned Cayman subsidiaries are organized, respectively, could result in the inability of an Ether Futures ETF to operate as intended and could negatively affect an Ether Futures ETF and its shareholders (such as the Fund). An Ether Futures ETF's Cayman subsidiary is not registered under the 1940 Act and is not subject to all the investor protections of the 1940 Act.

Active Management Risk. The Fund is actively managed, and its performance reflects investment decisions that the Adviser makes for the Fund. Such judgments about the Fund's investments may prove to be incorrect. If the investments selected and the strategies employed by the Fund fail to produce the intended results, the Fund could underperform as compared to other funds with similar investment objectives and/or strategies or could have negative returns.

Clearing Member Default Risk. Transactions in some types of derivatives, including the options held by the Fund, are required to be centrally cleared ("cleared derivatives"). In a transaction involving cleared derivatives, the Fund's counterparty is a clearinghouse, such as the OCC, rather than a bank or broker. Since the Fund is not a member of clearinghouses, and only members of a clearinghouse ("clearing members") can participate directly in the clearinghouse, the Fund will hold cleared derivatives through accounts at clearing members. With regard to its cleared derivatives positions, the Fund will

make payments (including margin payments) to, and receive payments from, a clearinghouse through their accounts at clearing members. Customer funds held at a clearing organization in connection with any option contracts are held in a commingled omnibus account and are not associated with any of the clearing member's individual customers by name. As a result, assets deposited by the Fund with any clearing member as margin for its options position may, in certain circumstances, be used to satisfy losses of other clients of the Fund's clearing member. In addition, although clearing members guarantee performance of their clients' obligations to the clearinghouse, there is a risk that the assets of the Fund might not be fully protected in the event of the clearing member's bankruptcy. The Fund is also subject to the risk that a limited number of clearing members are willing to transact on the Fund's behalf, which heightens the risks associated with a clearing member's default. If a clearing member defaults, the Fund could lose some or all of the benefits of a transaction entered into by the Fund with the clearing member. The loss of a clearing member for the Fund to transact with could result in increased transaction costs and other operational issues that could impede the Fund's ability to implement its investment strategy. If the Fund cannot find a clearing member to transact with on the Fund's behalf, the Fund may be unable to effectively implement its investment strategy.

Concentration Risk. The Fund is susceptible to an increased risk of loss, including losses due to adverse events that affect the Fund's investments more than the market as a whole, to the extent that the Fund's investments are concentrated in investments that provide exposure to ether.

Current Market Conditions Risk. Current market conditions risk is the risk that a particular investment, or Fund Shares in general, may fall in value due to current market conditions. As a means to fight inflation, which remains at elevated levels, the Federal Reserve and certain foreign central banks have raised interest rates; however, the Federal Reserve has recently lowered interest rates and may continue to do so. U.S. regulators have proposed several changes to market and issuer regulations which would directly impact the Fund, and any regulatory changes could adversely impact the Fund's ability to achieve its investment strategies or make certain investments. Recent and potential future bank failures could result in disruption to the broader banking industry or markets generally and reduce confidence in financial institutions and the economy as a whole, which may also heighten market volatility and reduce liquidity. Additionally, challenges in commercial real estate markets, including rising interest rates, declining valuations and increasing vacancies, could have a broader impact on financial markets. The ongoing adversarial political climate in the United States, as well as political and diplomatic events both domestic and abroad, have and may continue to have an adverse impact the U.S. regulatory landscape, markets and investor behavior, which could have a negative impact on the Fund's investments and operations. The change in administration resulting from the 2024 United States national elections could result in significant impacts to international trade relations, tax and immigration policies, and other aspects of the national and international political and financial landscape, which could affect, among other things, inflation and the securities markets generally. Other unexpected political, regulatory and diplomatic events within the U.S. and abroad may affect investor and consumer confidence and may adversely impact financial markets and the broader economy. For example, ongoing armed conflicts between Russia and Ukraine in Europe and among Israel, Iran, Hamas and other militant groups in the Middle East, have caused and could continue to cause significant market disruptions and volatility within the markets in Russia, Europe, the Middle East and the United States. The hostilities and sanctions resulting from those hostilities have and could continue to have a significant impact on certain Fund investments as well as Fund performance and liquidity. The economies of the United States and its trading partners, as well as the financial markets generally, may be adversely impacted by trade disputes, including the imposition of tariffs, and other matters. For example, the United States has imposed trade barriers and restrictions on China. In addition, the Chinese government is engaged in a longstanding dispute with Taiwan, continually threatening an invasion. If the political climate between the United States and China does not improve or continues to deteriorate, if China were to attempt invading Taiwan, or if other geopolitical conflicts develop or worsen, economies, markets and individual securities may be adversely affected, and the value of the Fund's assets may go down. A public health crisis and the ensuing policies enacted by governments and central banks may cause significant volatility and uncertainty in global financial markets, negatively impacting global growth prospects. As the COVID-19 global pandemic illustrated, such events may affect certain geographic regions, countries, sectors and industries more significantly than others. Advancements in technology may also adversely impact markets and the overall performance of the Fund. For instance, the economy may be significantly impacted by the advanced development and increased regulation of artificial intelligence. Additionally, cybersecurity breaches of both government and non-government entities could have negative impacts on infrastructure and the ability of such entities, including the Fund, to operate properly. These events, and any other future events, may adversely affect the prices and liquidity of the Fund's portfolio investments and could result in disruptions in the trading markets.

Cybersecurity Risk. The Fund is susceptible to operational risks due to breaches in cybersecurity. A breach in cybersecurity refers to both intentional and unintentional events that may cause the Fund to lose proprietary information, suffer data corruption or lose operational capacity. Such events could cause the Fund to incur regulatory penalties, reputational damage, additional compliance costs associated with corrective measures and/or financial loss. Cybersecurity breaches may involve unauthorized access to the Fund's digital information systems through "hacking" or malicious software coding but may also result from outside attacks such as denial-of-service attacks due to efforts to make network services unavailable to intended users. In addition, cybersecurity breaches of the Fund's third-party service providers, such as its administrator, transfer agent, custodian or sub-advisor, as applicable, or the issuers in which the Fund invests, can also subject the Fund to many of the same risks associated with direct cybersecurity breaches. Although the Fund has established risk management systems designed to reduce the risks associated with cybersecurity, there is no guarantee that such efforts will succeed, especially because the Fund does not directly control the cybersecurity systems of issuers or third-party service providers.

Derivatives Risk. The use of derivative instruments involves risks different from, or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities and other traditional investments. These risks include: (i) the risk that the counterparty to a derivative transaction may not fulfill its contractual obligations; (ii) the risk of mispricing or improper valuation; and (iii) the risk that changes in the value of the derivative may not correlate perfectly with the underlying asset. Derivative prices are highly volatile and may fluctuate substantially during a short period of time. Such prices are influenced by numerous factors that affect the markets, including, but not limited to: changing supply and demand relationships; government programs and policies; national and international political and economic events, changes in interest rates, inflation and deflation and changes in supply and demand relationships. Trading derivative instruments involves risks different from, or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities. Derivative contracts ordinarily have leverage inherent in their terms. The use of leverage may cause the Fund to liquidate portfolio positions when it would not be advantageous to do so in order to satisfy its obligations or to meet regulatory or contractual requirements

for derivatives. The use of derivatives can magnify potential for gain or loss and, therefore, amplify the effects of market volatility on share price.

FLEX Options Risk. Trading FLEX Options involves risks different from, or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities. The Fund may experience losses from specific FLEX Option positions and certain FLEX Option positions may expire worthless. The FLEX Options are listed on an exchange; however, no one can guarantee that a liquid secondary trading market will exist for the FLEX Options. In the event that trading in the FLEX Options is limited or absent, the value of the Fund's FLEX Options may decrease. In a less liquid market for the FLEX Options, liquidating the FLEX Options may require the payment of a premium (for written FLEX Options) or acceptance of a discounted price (for purchased FLEX Options) and may take longer to complete. A less liquid trading market may adversely impact the value of the FLEX Options and Fund Shares and result in the Fund being unable to achieve its investment objective. Less liquidity in the trading of the Fund's FLEX Options could have an impact on the prices paid or received by the Fund for the FLEX Options in connection with creations and redemptions of Fund Shares. Depending on the nature of this impact to pricing, the Fund may be forced to pay more for redemptions (or receive less for creations) than the price at which it currently values the FLEX Options. Such overpayment or under collection could reduce the Fund's ability to achieve its investment objective. Additionally, in a less liquid market for the FLEX Options, the liquidation of a large number of options may more significantly impact the price. A less liquid trading market may adversely impact the value of the FLEX Options and the value of your investment. The trading in FLEX Options may be less deep and liquid than the market for certain other exchange-traded options, non-customized options or other securities.

Leverage Risk. While the Fund does not seek leveraged exposure to the Ether ETPs, the Fund seeks to achieve and maintain the exposure to the price of the Ether ETPs by using the leverage inherent in options contracts. Therefore, the Fund is subject to leverage risk. When the Fund purchases or sells an instrument or enters into a transaction without investing an amount equal to the full economic exposure of the instrument or transaction, it creates leverage, which can result in the Fund losing more than it originally invested. As a result, these investments may magnify losses to the Fund, and even a small market movement may result in significant losses to the Fund. Leverage may also cause the Fund to be more volatile because it may exaggerate the effect of any increase or decrease in the value of the Fund's portfolio securities. Options trading involves a degree of leverage and, as a result, a relatively small price movement in futures instruments may result in immediate and substantial losses to the Fund.

Liquidity Risk. The market for Ether ETP Options may be subject to periods of illiquidity. During such times it may be difficult or impossible to buy or sell a position at the desired price. Market disruptions or volatility can also make it difficult to find a counterparty willing to transact at a reasonable price and sufficient size. Illiquid markets may cause losses, which could be significant. The large size of the positions which the Fund may acquire increases the risk of illiquidity, may make its positions more difficult to liquidate, and may increase the losses incurred while trying to do so. Such large positions also may impact the price of Ether ETP Options.

New Fund Risk. The Fund is a recently organized investment company with a limited operating history. As a result, prospective investors have a limited track record or history on which to base their investment decision.

Non-Diversification Risk. As a "non-diversified" fund, the Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent the Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by the Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of the Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

Operational Risk. The Fund is subject to risks arising from various operational factors, including, but not limited to, human error; processing and communication errors; errors of the Fund's service providers, counterparties or other third parties; failed or inadequate processes; and technology or systems failures. The Fund relies on third parties for a range of services, including custody. Any delay or failure relating to engaging or maintaining such service providers may affect the Fund's ability to meet its investment objective. Although the Fund and the Adviser seek to reduce these operational risks through controls and procedures, there is no way to completely protect against such risks.

Options Risk. The use of options involves investment strategies and risks different from those associated with ordinary portfolio securities transactions and depends on the ability of the Fund's portfolio managers to forecast market movements correctly. The prices of options are volatile and are influenced by, among other things, actual and anticipated changes in the value of the underlying instrument, or in interest or currency exchange rates, including the anticipated volatility, which in turn are affected by fiscal and monetary policies and by national and international political and economic events. The effective use of options also depends on the Fund's ability to terminate option positions at times deemed desirable to do so. There is no assurance that the Fund will be able to effect closing transactions at any particular time or at an acceptable price. In addition, there may at times be an imperfect correlation between the movement in values of options and their underlying securities and there may at times not be a liquid secondary market for certain options.

Portfolio Turnover Risk. The Fund may experience high levels of portfolio turnover. A high portfolio turnover rate increases transaction costs, which may increase the Fund's expenses. Frequent trading may also cause adverse tax consequences for investors in the Fund due to an increase in short-term capital gains.

Special Tax Risk. The Fund intends to qualify as a "regulated investment company" ("RIC"), however, the federal income tax treatment of certain aspects of the proposed operations of the Fund are not entirely clear. This includes the tax aspects of the Fund's options strategy, the possible application of the "straddle" rules, and various loss limitation provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). If, in any year, the Fund fails to qualify as a RIC under the applicable tax laws, the Fund would be taxed as an ordinary corporation.

To the extent that the Fund investments in Ether ETP Options include offsetting positions, the character of gains or losses realized by the Fund under the Code's "straddle" rules may be affected and may increase the amount of short-term capital gain realized by the Fund. The Fund may hold certain options that do not qualify as "Section 1256 contracts" under Section 1256 of the Code, and disposition of such options will likely result in short-term or long-term capital gains or losses depending on the holding period.

The Fund intends to treat the income it derives from gains on options referencing Spot Ether ETPs as "qualifying income" for purposes of the RIC qualification rules under Subchapter M of the Code. It has

adopted this position in reliance on an opinion obtained from counsel that income from such investments should constitute "qualifying income," as the Spot Ether ETPs referenced by the options constitute "securities" under Section 2(a)(36) of the 1940 Act. However, this opinion is not binding upon the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS"). If the IRS were to successfully assert that the Fund's income from such investments was not "qualifying income," the Fund may fail to qualify as a RIC under Subchapter M if over 10% of its gross income was derived from these investments. If the Fund failed to qualify as a RIC, it would be subject to federal and state income tax on all of its taxable income at regular corporate tax rates with no deduction for any distributions paid to shareholders, which would significantly adversely affect the returns to, and could cause substantial losses for, Fund shareholders.

To maintain its status as a RIC, the Fund must distribute 90% of its investment company taxable income annually. In addition, to avoid a non-deductible excise tax, the Fund must distribute 98% of its ordinary income and 98.2% of its capital gain net income. Separately, depending upon the circumstances, sales to fund redemptions could cause the Fund to recognize income that the Fund is required to distribute to maintain the Fund's RIC status and avoid the excise tax. Funding such distributions could require additional sales, which could require more distributions and affect the projected performance of the Fund. Alternatively, if the Fund only makes distributions to maintain its RIC status and becomes subject to the excise tax, that could also affect the projected performance of the Fund. In either case, the assets sold to fund redemptions, distributions or pay the excise tax will not be available to assist the Fund in meeting its investment objective.

In the event that a shareholder purchases shares of the Fund shortly before a distribution by the Fund, the entire distribution may be taxable to the shareholder even though a portion of the distribution effectively represents a return of the purchase price.

Structural ETF Risks. The Fund is an ETF. Accordingly, it is subject to certain risks associated with its unique structure.

<u>Active Market Risk</u>. Although Fund Shares are listed for trading on the Exchange, there can be no assurance that an active trading market for Fund Shares will develop or be maintained. Fund Shares trade on the Exchange at market prices that may be below, at or above the Fund's net asset value. Securities, including Fund Shares, are subject to market fluctuations and liquidity constraints that may be caused by such factors as economic, political or regulatory developments, changes in interest rates, and/or perceived trends in securities prices. Fund Shares could decline in value or underperform other investments.

<u>Authorized Participant Concentration Risk.</u> Only an Authorized Participant may engage in creation or redemption transactions directly with the Fund, and none of those Authorized Participants is obligated to engage in creation and/or redemption transactions. The Fund has a limited number of institutions that may act as Authorized Participants on an agency basis (*i.e.*, on behalf of other market participants). To the extent that Authorized Participants exit the business or are unable to proceed with creation or redemption orders with respect to the Fund and no other Authorized Participant is able to step forward to create or redeem, Fund Shares may be more likely to trade at a premium or discount to NAV and possibly face trading halts or delisting. Authorized Participant concentration risk may be heightened for ETFs, such as the Fund, which invest in securities issued by non-U.S. issuers or other securities or instruments that have lower trading volumes.

<u>Cash Transactions Risk.</u> The Fund currently expects to effect a significant portion of its creations and redemptions for cash rather than in-kind securities. Paying redemption proceeds in cash rather than through in-kind delivery of portfolio securities may require the Fund to dispose of or sell portfolio securities or other assets at an inopportune time to obtain the cash needed to meet redemption orders. This may cause the Fund to sell a security and recognize a capital gain or loss that might not have been incurred if it had made a redemption in-kind. As a result, the Fund may pay out higher or lower annual capital gains distributions than ETFs that redeem in-kind. The use of cash creations and redemptions may also cause Fund Shares to trade in the market at greater bid-ask spreads or greater premiums or discounts to the Fund's NAV. Furthermore, the Fund may not be able to execute cash transactions for creation and redemption purposes at the same price used to determine the Fund's NAV. To the extent that the maximum additional charge for creation or redemption transactions is insufficient to cover the execution shortfall, the Fund's performance could be negatively impacted.

<u>Costs of Buying and Selling Fund Shares</u>. Due to the costs of buying or selling Fund Shares, including brokerage commissions imposed by brokers and bid/ask spreads, frequent trading of Fund Shares may significantly reduce investment results, and an investment in Fund Shares may not be advisable for investors who anticipate regularly making small investments.

<u>Premium/Discount Risk</u>. As with all exchange-traded funds, Fund Shares may be bought and sold in the secondary market at market prices. The trading prices of Fund Shares in the secondary market may differ from the Fund's daily net asset value per share, and there may be times when the market price of the shares is more than the net asset value per share (premium) or less than the net asset value per share (discount). This risk is heightened in times of market volatility or periods of steep market declines.

U.S. Government Securities Risk. U.S. government securities are subject to interest rate risk but generally do not involve the credit risks associated with investments in other types of debt securities. As a result, the yields available from U.S. government securities are generally lower than the yields available from other debt securities. U.S. government securities are guaranteed only as to the timely payment of interest and the payment of principal when held to maturity.

Valuation Risk. The Fund may hold securities or other assets that may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur because the asset or security does not trade on a centralized exchange, or in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including "fair valued" assets or securities, may be subject to greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that the Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that the Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. The Fund's ability to value investments may be impacted by technological issues or errors by pricing services or other third-party service providers.

Performance

As of the date of this prospectus, the Fund has not yet commenced operations and therefore does not have a performance history. Once available, the Fund's performance information will be accessible on the Fund's website at https://www.iethetf.com and will provide some indication of the risks of investing in the Fund.

Management

Investment Adviser: Bitwise Investment Manager, LLC ("BIM")

<u>Portfolio Managers</u>: Jennifer Thornton, Portfolio Manager at BIM, Daniela Padilla, Portfolio Manager at BIM and Gayatri Choudhury, Quantitative Investment Analyst at BIM, are the individuals that are primarily and jointly responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund. Each has served as portfolio manager since the Fund's inception in August 2025.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

The Fund will issue (or redeem) Fund Shares to certain institutional investors (typically market makers or other broker-dealers) only in large blocks of Fund Shares known as "Creation Units." Creation Unit transactions are conducted in exchange for the deposit or delivery of a designated portfolio of in-kind securities and/or cash.

Individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold on the Exchange, other national securities exchanges, electronic crossing networks and other alternative trading systems through a broker-dealer at market prices. Because Fund Shares trade at market prices rather than at NAV, Fund Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (premium) or less than NAV (discount). When buying or selling Fund Shares in the secondary market, you may incur costs attributable to the difference between the highest price a buyer is willing to pay to purchase Fund Shares (bid) and the lowest price a seller is willing to accept for Fund Shares (ask) (the "bid-ask spread"). Recent information regarding the Fund's NAV, market price, premiums and discounts, and bid-ask spreads is available at https://www.iethetf.com

Tax Information

The Fund's distributions are expected to be taxed as ordinary income, qualified dividend income and/or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or individual retirement account. Any withdrawals made from such tax-advantaged arrangement may be taxable to you.

Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase Fund Shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Adviser, Foreside Fund Services, LLC, the Fund's distributor, may pay the intermediary for the sale of Fund Shares and related services. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

Additional Information About Each Fund's Principal Investment Strategies

Overview

Each Fund is a series of Bitwise Funds Trust and is regulated as an "investment company" under the 1940 Act. The Funds are actively managed and do not seek to track the performance of an index. Each of the policies described herein, including the investment objective of each Fund, constitutes a non-fundamental policy that may be changed by the Board of Trustees of the Trust (the "Board") without shareholder approval. Certain fundamental policies of the Fund are set forth in the Fund's Statement of Additional Information (the "SAI"). There can be no assurance that a Fund's objective will be achieved.

Each Fund's investments are subject to certain requirements imposed by law and regulation, as well as the Fund's investment strategy. These requirements are generally applied at the time a Fund invests its assets. If, subsequent to an investment by a Fund, this requirement is no longer met, the Fund's future investments will be made in a manner that will bring the Fund into compliance with the requirement.

Additional Information Regarding each Fund's Principal Investment Strategy

Each Fund is an actively managed ETF that seeks to provide current income while providing exposure to the share price (*i.e.*, the price returns) of a particular ETF or ETP (Bitcoin ETP, Ether ETP or BITQ) (the "Applicable Security"), subject to a limit on potential investment gains. Each Fund seeks to achieve these investment objectives through the use of a synthetic covered call strategy. Each Fund seeks to provide its synthetic exposure to the price return of the Applicable Security through the purchase and sale of a combination of call and put option contracts that utilize the Applicable Security as the reference asset. Each Fund will also sell call options that utilize the Applicable Security as the reference asset. These sold call options provide income in the form of option premiums but will also limit the degree to which a Fund will participate in investment gains experienced by the Applicable Security.

In implementing its investment strategy, each Fund will invest in traditional exchange-traded options contracts and/or FLEX Options that utilize the Applicable Security as the reference asset. Each Fund will only invest in options contracts that are listed for trading on regulated U.S. exchanges. Traditional exchange-traded options have standardized terms, such as the type (call or put), the reference asset, the strike price and expiration date. Exchange-listed options contracts are guaranteed for settlement by the OCC. FLEX Options are a type of exchange-listed options contract with uniquely customizable terms that allow investors to customize key terms like type, strike price and expiration date that are standardized in a typical options contract. FLEX Options are also guaranteed for settlement by the OCC. It is anticipated that the Fund will invest primarily in FLEX Options. The FLEX Options held by the Fund may be either physical or cash settled.

In general, an option is a contract that gives the purchaser (holder) of the option, in return for a premium, the right to buy from (call) or sell to (put) the seller (writer) of the option the asset underlying the option at a specified exercise price. The writer of an option has the obligation upon exercise of the option to deliver the underlying asset upon payment of the exercise price (call) or to pay the exercise price upon delivery of the underlying asset (put). A Fund may utilize both European and American style options. An option is said to be "European Style" when it can be exercised only at expiration whereas an "American Style" option can be exercised at any time prior to expiration.

In a traditional covered call strategy, an investor (such as a Fund) sells a call option on a security it already owns. Each Fund will primarily derive its exposure to their Applicable Security through the use of options contracts that use the Applicable Security as the reference asset. It is this distinction that causes a Fund's strategy to be properly termed as a "synthetic covered call strategy," as opposed to a traditional covered call strategy, because each Fund has synthetic exposure to the Applicable Security. Each Fund's synthetic exposure to the Applicable Security is achieved through the combination of purchasing call options and selling put options generally at the same strike price, which synthetically creates the upside and downside participation in the price returns of the Applicable Security. Each Fund will primarily gain exposure to increases in value experienced by the Applicable Security through the purchase of call options. As a buyer of these options, a Fund pays a premium to the seller of the options. Each Fund will primarily gain exposure to decreases in value experienced by the Applicable Security through the sale of put options. As the seller of these options, a Fund receives a premium from the buyer of the options. In combination, the purchased call and sold put options generally provide exposure to price returns of the Applicable Security both on the upside and downside. Each Fund intends to continuously maintain exposure to the Applicable Security through the use of options. When such options expire or are exercised, the Funds will enter into new options. This is a practice referred to as "rolling." The Funds' practice of rolling options may result in higher levels of portfolio turnover

As the primary means by which each Fund intends to generate income, the Fund will sell call options that reference the Applicable Security at a strike price that is expected to be approximately between 0% and 15% above the then-current share price of the Applicable Security. It is important to note that the sale of these call options to generate income will limit the Fund's ability to participate in increases in value of the Applicable Security's share price beyond a certain point. If the share price of the Applicable Security increases, the above-referenced synthetic long exposure would allow a Fund to experience similar percentage gains. However, if the Applicable Security's share price appreciates in value beyond the strike price of one or more of the call option contracts that a Fund has sold to generate income, the Fund will lose money on those short call positions, and the losses will, in turn, limit the upside return of the Fund's synthetic long exposure. As a result, the Fund's overall strategy (i.e., the combination of the synthetic long exposure to the Applicable Security and the sold Applicable Security call positions) will limit a Fund's participation in gains of the Applicable Security's share price beyond a certain point. This strategy effectively converts a portion of the potential upside price return growth of the Applicable Security into current income. It is expected that the call options a Fund will sell to generate options premiums will generally have expirations of approximately one year or less and will be held to or close to expiration.

In addition to the options contracts, a Fund will also invest in cash and short-term U.S. Treasury securities, which will serve to collateralize the Fund's options positions and provide additional income. The market value of the cash and short-term U.S. Treasury securities held by a Fund is expected to be between 50% and 100% of the Fund's net assets and the market value of the options package is expected to be between 0% and 50% of the Fund's net assets. In terms of notional value, the combination of these investment instruments provides indirect investment exposure to the Applicable Security's equal to at least 100% of the Fund's total assets.

Additional Information Regarding the Bitwise Bitcoin Option Income Strategy ETF

The Fund will determine whether to utilize Bitcoin ETP Options that use a Bitcoin ETP or a Bitcoin ETP Index as the reference asset based upon a range of factors, including, but not limited to, whether it is seeking exposure to the performance of a single Bitcoin ETP or the aggregate performance of a group of Bitcoin ETPs, the liquidity of the various Bitcoin ETP Options and Bitcoin ETP Option position limits. In addition, when selecting among different types of Bitcoin ETP Options, the Fund may consider a range of factors beyond directional or volatility views. These may include, but are not limited to, the relative pricing between the types described above, the notional precision offered by each contract type, variations across the volatility surface (such as skew, term structure, and implied versus realized volatility), liquidity considerations, and the operational or margin efficiencies associated with different instruments. The Fund may also evaluate how these factors interact with its portfolio construction goals, including hedging precision, cost efficiency, and existing exposures.

Additional Information on Bitcoin

Bitcoin is a digital asset that is created and transmitted through the operations of the online, peer-to-peer Bitcoin network, a decentralized network of computers that operates on cryptographic protocols. The ownership of bitcoin is determined by participants in the Bitcoin network. The Bitcoin network connects computers that run publicly accessible, or "open source," software that follows the rules and procedures governing the Bitcoin network. This is commonly referred to as the Bitcoin Protocol.

No single entity owns or operates the Bitcoin network. Bitcoin is not issued by any government, by banks or similar organizations. The infrastructure of the Bitcoin network is collectively maintained by a decentralized user base. The Bitcoin network is accessed through software, and software governs the creation, movement, and ownership of "bitcoin," the unit of account on the Bitcoin network ledger. The value of bitcoin is determined, in part, by the supply of, and demand for, bitcoin in the global markets for trading bitcoin, market expectations for the adoption of bitcoin as a decentralized store of value, the number of merchants and/or institutions that accept bitcoin as a form of payment and the volume of private end-user-to-end-user transactions.

Bitcoin transaction and ownership records are reflected on the "Bitcoin blockchain," which is a digital public record or ledger. Copies of this ledger are stored in a decentralized manner on the computers of each Bitcoin network node (a node is any user who maintains on their computer a full copy of all the bitcoin transaction records, the blockchain, as well as related software). Transaction data is permanently recorded in files called "blocks," which reflect transactions that have been recorded and authenticated by Bitcoin network participants. The Bitcoin network software source code includes protocols that govern the creation of new bitcoin and the cryptographic system that secures and verifies bitcoin transactions.

Bitcoin, the asset, plays a key role in the operation of the Bitcoin network, as the computers (or "miners") that process transactions on the network and maintain the network's security are compensated through the issuance of new bitcoin and through transaction fees paid by users in bitcoin.

Additional Information on Ether

Ether is a digital asset that is created and transmitted through the operations of the online, peer-to-peer Ethereum network, a decentralized network of computers that operates on cryptographic protocols. No single entity owns or operates the Ethereum network, the infrastructure of which is collectively maintained by a decentralized user base. The Ethereum network allows people to exchange tokens of value, called "ether" or "ETH," which are recorded on a public transaction ledger known as a blockchain. Ether can be used to pay for goods and services, including computational power on the Ethereum network, or it can be converted to fiat currencies, such as the U.S. dollar, at rates determined on digital asset trading platforms or in individual end-user-to-end-user transactions under a barter system. Furthermore, the Ethereum network also allows users to write and implement smart contracts—that is, general-purpose code that executes on every computer in the network and can instruct the transmission of information and value based on a sophisticated set of logical conditions. Using smart contracts, users can create markets, store registries of debts or promises, represent the ownership of property, move funds in accordance with conditional instructions and create digital assets other than ether on the Ethereum network. Smart contract operations are executed on the Ethereum blockchain in exchange for payment of ether. The Ethereum network is one of a number of projects intended to expand blockchain use beyond just a peer-to-peer money system.

The Ethereum network is decentralized in that it does not require governmental authorities or financial institution intermediaries to create, transmit or determine the value of ether. Rather, following the initial distribution of ether, ether is created, burned and allocated by the Ethereum network protocol through a process that is currently subject to an issuance and burn rate. Among other things, ether is used to pay for transaction fees and computational services (i.e., smart contracts) on the Ethereum network; users of the Ethereum network pay for the computational power of the machines executing the requested operations with ether. Requiring payment in ether on the Ethereum network incentivizes developers to write quality applications and increases the efficiency of the Ethereum network because wasteful code costs more. It also ensures that the Ethereum network remains economically viable by compensating people for their contributed computational resources. Unlike other digital assets, such as bitcoin, which are solely created through a progressive mining process, 72.0 million ether or "ETH" were created in connection with the launch of the Ethereum network.

Additional Risks of Investing in the Funds

Risk is inherent in all investing. Investing in the Funds involves risk, including the risk that you may lose all or part of your investment. There can be no assurance that the Fund will meet its stated objective. Before you invest, you should consider the following supplemental disclosure pertaining to the Principal Risks set forth above as well as additional Non-Principal Risks set forth below in this prospectus.

Principal Risks

Market Risk. Market risk is the risk that a particular security, or Fund Shares in general, may fall in value. Securities are subject to market fluctuations caused by such factors as economic, political, regulatory or market developments, changes in interest rates and perceived trends in securities prices. Fund Shares could decline in value or underperform other investments. In addition, local, regional or global events such as war, acts of terrorism, spread of infectious diseases or other public health issues, recessions, natural disasters or other events could have a significant negative impact on the Fund and its

investments. For example, the COVID-19 global pandemic and the ensuing policies enacted by governments and central banks have caused and may continue to cause significant volatility and uncertainty in global financial markets, negatively impacting global growth prospects. Recent and potential future bank failures could result in disruption to the broader banking industry or markets generally and reduce confidence in financial institutions and the economy as a whole, which may also heighten market volatility and reduce liquidity. These events also adversely affect the prices and liquidity of the Fund's portfolio securities or other instruments and could result in disruptions in the trading markets. Any such circumstance could have a materially negative impact on the value of Fund Shares and result in increased market volatility. During any such events, Fund Shares may trade at increased premiums or discounts to their net asset value and the bid/ask spread on Fund Shares may widen.

Covered Call Strategy Risk. A covered call strategy involves writing (selling) covered call options in return for the receipt of premiums. The seller of the option gives up the opportunity to benefit from price increases in the underlying instrument above the exercise price of the options but continues to bear the risk of underlying instrument price declines. The premiums received from the options may not be sufficient to offset any losses sustained from underlying instrument price declines over time. As a result, the risks associated with writing covered call options may be similar to the risks associated with writing put options. Exchanges may suspend the trading of options during periods of abnormal market volatility. Suspension of trading may mean that an option seller is unable to sell options at a time that may be desirable or advantageous to do so.

The covered call strategy utilized by the Funds is "synthetic" because the Funds' exposure to the price return of the Applicable Securities is derived through options exposure rather than direct holdings of the shares of the Applicable Securities. Because such exposure is synthetic, it is possible that a Fund's participation in the price return of the Applicable Securities may not be as precise as if the Fund were directly holding shares of the Applicable Security.

Bitcoin ETP Risks. The Bitwise Bitcoin Option Income Strategy ETF will have significant exposure to the Bitcoin ETPs through its utilization of Bitcoin ETP Options. Accordingly, the Fund will be subject to the risks of the Bitcoin ETPs set forth below.

Bitcoin Risk. Bitcoin remains a volatile and evolving asset subject to significant market fluctuations, uncertainty and speculative investment interest. Although increased institutional adoption and regulatory clarity have recently improved market stability and broader acceptance, the value of bitcoin continues to be influenced substantially by market sentiment, speculative demand and macroeconomic factors rather than traditional fundamental analysis alone. The further development and sustained acceptance of the Bitcoin network are dependent on a variety of complex factors, including technological advancements, regulatory developments, institutional participation and broader public adoption. While regulatory oversight of bitcoin and related digital assets has notably increased, particularly in jurisdictions like the United States and Europe, the global regulatory landscape remains fragmented. Sudden or significant regulatory actions—including new legislation, enforcement actions against key market participants or policy shifts—can still materially impact bitcoin's valuation and liquidity. Bitcoin markets remain susceptible to manipulation, fraud, theft, cybersecurity incidents and operational disruptions, especially on trading platforms that lack robust regulatory oversight or proper cybersecurity standards. Furthermore, a significant concentration of bitcoin holdings among a

limited number of large holders, often referred to as "whales," continues to pose risks of price volatility or manipulation through coordinated transactions. Technological risks remain inherent in bitcoin and its underlying blockchain network. While advancements such as Layer 2 scaling solutions (e.g., the Lightning Network) have made meaningful progress toward addressing scalability and usability concerns, these technologies are still evolving and carry risks of technical vulnerabilities, hacking and operational failures that may undermine confidence or negatively affect bitcoin's value. The potential for blockchain forks—where disagreements among developers and stakeholders lead to competing blockchains—continues to exist. Although fewer contentious forks have occurred in recent times, such events could reoccur, introducing market confusion, diluting value or weakening confidence in the Bitcoin blockchain. Competition from alternative blockchain networks and digital assets remains strong. Networks like Ethereum and other blockchain platforms with smart contract capabilities, privacy features or superior scalability may attract broader adoption, thereby reducing bitcoin's relative attractiveness or limiting its potential as an alternative payment system or digital store of value. Any of these risks, individually or collectively, could materially and adversely affect the acceptance and market value of bitcoin, consequently impacting the value of shares in Bitcoin ETPs or related investment products.

<u>Custody Risk</u>. Security breaches, computer malware and computer hacking attacks have been a prevalent concern in relation to digital assets. The bitcoin held by the Bitcoin ETPs' custodian will likely be an appealing target to hackers or malware distributors seeking to destroy, damage or steal the Bitcoin ETPs' bitcoins. To the extent that the Bitcoin ETPs and their service providers are unable to identify and mitigate or stop new security threats or otherwise adapt to technological changes in the digital asset industry, a Bitcoin ETP's bitcoins may be subject to theft, loss, destruction or other attack. The Bitcoin ETPs have put security procedures in place to prevent such theft, loss or destruction, including but not limited to, offline storage, or cold storage, multiple encrypted private key "shards" and other measures. Nevertheless, the security procedures cannot guarantee the prevention of any loss due to a security breach, software defect or act of God that may be borne by the Bitcoin ETPs and the security procedures may not protect against all errors, software flaws or other vulnerabilities in a Bitcoin ETP's technical infrastructure, which could result in theft, loss or damage of its assets. The Bitcoin ETPs do not control the operations of their service providers or their implementation of such security procedures, and there can be no assurance that such security procedures will actually work as designed or prove to be successful in safeguarding a Bitcoin ETP's assets against all possible sources of theft, loss or damage. Assets not held in cold storage, such as assets held in a trading account, may be more vulnerable to security breach, hacking or loss than assets held in cold storage. Furthermore, assets held in a trading account are held on an omnibus, rather than segregated basis, which creates greater risk of loss. The security procedures and operational infrastructure may be breached due to the actions of outside parties, error or malfeasance of an employee of a Bitcoin ETP's service providers and, as a result, an unauthorized party may obtain access to the Bitcoin ETP's account at the custodian where its bitcoin is held, the relevant private keys (and therefore bitcoin) or other data or property of a Bitcoin ETP. Additionally, outside parties may attempt to fraudulently induce employees of a Bitcoin ETP or its service providers to disclose sensitive information in order to gain access to a Bitcoin ETP's infrastructure. As the techniques used to obtain unauthorized access, disable or degrade service, or sabotage systems change frequently, or may be designed to remain dormant until a predetermined event and often

are not recognized until launched against a target, a Bitcoin ETP and its service providers may be unable to anticipate these techniques or implement adequate preventative measures.

<u>Digital Asset Trading Platforms Risk</u>. Digital asset trading platforms remain relatively new and vary significantly in terms of regulation, transparency, operational stability and compliance standards. While certain prominent trading platforms—particularly those based in the United States—have substantially improved transparency, compliance and regulatory adherence, many platforms still operate internationally or offshore with significantly less stringent oversight. Platforms located outside the United States may be subject to minimal or inconsistent regulatory enforcement and often do not provide sufficient public information regarding their management structure, ownership, financial stability, cybersecurity practices or compliance controls. Despite increased institutional involvement, enhanced security measures and more standardized operating practices adopted by leading platforms, digital asset exchanges continue to be vulnerable to cybersecurity threats, hacking incidents, fraudulent activities, operational disruptions and other technical risks. High-profile failures, breaches or shutdowns of major trading platforms or custodians—such as those arising from fraud, cybersecurity incidents, regulatory enforcement actions or insolvency—can significantly reduce investor confidence, increase market volatility and potentially trigger contagion effects across the digital asset ecosystem. Regulatory developments and enforcement actions continue to shape the landscape in which digital asset platforms operate. Recent regulatory scrutiny has heightened globally, particularly in jurisdictions with substantial trading volumes, such as the United States, Europe and Asia. Increased regulatory oversight, while potentially positive for market stability in the long run, can create short-term disruption, reduce liquidity, prompt platform closures or alter business models substantially, thereby affecting the prices of digital assets, including bitcoin. Investors should be aware that trading or custodying bitcoin on less transparent or poorly regulated platforms increases the risk of losing access to digital assets due to platform insolvency, hacking incidents, regulatory intervention or operational failure. Although improvements have been made, the digital asset marketplace remains inherently riskier than traditional financial markets, and investors may have limited recourse if a digital asset trading platform fails or is compromised.

<u>Irrevocability of Transactions Risk</u>. Bitcoin transactions are typically not reversible without the consent and active participation of the recipient of the transaction. Once a transaction has been verified and recorded in a block that is added to the Bitcoin blockchain, an incorrect transfer or theft of bitcoin generally will not be reversible and a Bitcoin ETP may not be capable of seeking compensation for any such transfer or theft. It is possible that, through computer or human error, or through theft or other criminal action, a Bitcoin ETP's bitcoin could be transferred from the Bitcoin ETP's account at its custodian in incorrect amounts or to unauthorized third parties, or to uncontrolled accounts.

<u>Trading Halt Risk</u>. Trading in shares of a Bitcoin ETP on U.S. securities exchanges may be halted due to market conditions or for reasons that, in the view of an exchange, make trading in shares of the Bitcoin ETP inadvisable. In addition, trading of shares of a Bitcoin ETP on securities exchanges is subject to trading halts caused by extraordinary market volatility pursuant to an exchange's "circuit breaker" rules. Shares of a Bitcoin ETP may be at a higher risk of a trading halt due to the volatility of bitcoin. In the event that shares of a Bitcoin ETP are subject to a

trading halt, the Fund's ability to pursue its principal investment strategy may be impaired and the Fund may be negatively affected.

<u>Volatility Risk</u>. The price of bitcoin remains highly volatile and subject to significant price fluctuations. While recent increases in institutional adoption, clearer regulatory frameworks and broader market acceptance have contributed to greater stability relative to earlier periods, the price of bitcoin continues to be influenced by rapid shifts in market sentiment, regulatory developments, macroeconomic conditions, technological advancements and unforeseen events. The market price of bitcoin has historically experienced dramatic highs and lows over short periods, often with limited or no identifiable catalyst. Given the evolving nature of digital asset markets, price volatility may be amplified by external factors such as changes in global financial markets, geopolitical events, regulatory enforcement actions or significant technological or security incidents. Furthermore, speculative trading, leveraged positions, and derivatives markets tied to bitcoin continue to contribute to potential volatility. Investors should remain aware that sudden, substantial price movements may occur at any time, potentially leading to significant losses. Consequently, investments linked directly or indirectly to bitcoin, including Bitcoin ETPs, may experience heightened volatility compared to traditional investment products.

BITQ Risks. The Bitwise BITQ Option Income Strategy ETF will have significant exposure to BITQ through its investments in options that utilize BITQ as the reference asset. Accordingly, the Fund will subject to the risks of BITQ, set forth below. In addition to these risks, BITQ is also subject to the following risks to which the Fund is also subject, which are described within the section entitled "Principal Risks": Market Risk, Concentration Risk, Current Market Conditions Risk, Cybersecurity Risk, Operational Risk and Structural ETF Risk.

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affect bitcoin's value. The potential for blockchain forks—where disagreements among developers and stakeholders lead to competing blockchains—continues to exist. Although fewer contentious forks have occurred in recent times, such events could reoccur, introducing market confusion, diluting value or weakening confidence in the Bitcoin blockchain. Competition from alternative blockchain networks and digital assets remains strong. Networks like Ethereum and other blockchain platforms with smart contract capabilities, privacy features or superior scalability may attract broader adoption, thereby reducing bitcoin's relative attractiveness or limiting its potential as an alternative payment system or digital store of value. Any of these risks, individually or collectively, could materially and adversely affect the acceptance and market value of bitcoin, consequently impacting the value of shares of BITQ or related investment product.

Blockchain and Cryptocurrency Industry Risk. The technology relating to the blockchain and cryptocurrency industry ecosystem is new and developing and the risks associated with crypto assets may not fully emerge until the technology is widely used. Technologies utilizing cryptography are used by companies to optimize their business practices, whether by using the technology within their business or operating business lines involved in the operation of the technology. Cryptography refers to a set of techniques designed to allow for secure communication in the presence of adversarial behavior. Blockchain is a well-known example of a technology that relies on cryptography. A blockchain is comprised of unchangeable, digitally recorded data in packages called "blocks." These digitally recorded blocks of data are stored in a linear "chain." Each block in the chain contains data (e.g., a transaction), that is cryptographically connected to the previous block in the chain, ensuring all data in the overall "blockchain" has not been tampered with and remains unchanged. The cryptographic keys necessary to transact a crypto asset may be subject to theft, loss or destruction, which could adversely affect a company's business or operations if it were dependent on such an asset. Competing platforms and technologies may be developed such that consumers or investors use an alternative to crypto assets. There may be risks posed by the lack of regulation for crypto assets and any future regulatory developments could affect the viability and expansion of the use of blockchain and cryptocurrency technologies. Recently, U.S. securities regulators have brought actions against companies operating in the blockchain and cryptocurrency industry ecosystem for violations of U.S. securities laws. To the extent such an action is brought against a company held by the Fund, the value of such a holding could decrease significantly. Because companies operating in the blockchain and cryptocurrency industry ecosystem may operate across many national boundaries and regulatory jurisdictions, it is possible that such companies may be subject to widespread and inconsistent regulation. Blockchain and cryptocurrency industry companies that rely on third-party products may be subject to technical defects or vulnerabilities beyond a company's control. Because many crypto assets do not have a standardized exchange, like a stock market, there is less liquidity for such assets and greater possibility of volatility, fraud or manipulation. The values of certain companies included in BITQ's portfolio may not entirely reflect their connection to the blockchain and cryptocurrency industry ecosystem but may be based on other business operations. In addition, these companies may engage in other lines of business unrelated to the blockchain and cryptocurrency industry ecosystem, and these lines of business could adversely affect their operating results. Such companies may be engaged in activities traditionally comprising the information technology sector and financial sectors. These companies also may not be able to develop crypto technology applications or may not be able to

capitalize on those applications. Technologies also may never be fully implemented, which could adversely affect an investment in such companies. Companies that use crypto technologies may be subject to cybersecurity risk. In addition, certain features of blockchain and cryptocurrency industry technologies, such as decentralization, open-source protocol and reliance on peer-to-peer connectivity may increase the risk of fraud or cyberattack by potentially reducing the likelihood of a coordinated response. A significant disruption of Internet connectivity affecting large numbers of users or geographic areas could impede the functionality of crypto technologies and adversely affect companies included in BITQ's portfolio. Blockchain and cryptocurrency industry companies may be subject to the risks posed by conflicting intellectual property claims, which may reduce confidence in the viability of a crypto asset.

Certain of BITQ's investments, including investments in companies with direct holdings of crypto assets may be subject to the risk sassociated with investing in such assets. Such companies may be subject to the risk that: the technology that facilitates the transfer of the crypto asset could fail; the decentralized, open source protocol of the blockchain network utilized by a company held by BITQ could be affected by Internet connectivity disruptions, fraud, consensus failures or cybersecurity attacks; such network may not be adequately maintained by its participants; because crypto assets are a new technological innovation with a limited history, they are highly speculative assets and may experience extreme price volatility; future regulatory actions or policies may limit the ability to sell, exchange or use a crypto asset; the price of a crypto asset may be impacted by the transactions of a small number of holders of such asset; and that a crypto asset will decline in popularity, acceptance or use, thereby impairing its price.

China A-Shares Investment Risk. The liquidity of the A-shares market and trading prices of A-shares could be more severely affected than the liquidity and trading prices of other markets because the Chinese government restricts the flow of capital into and out of the A-shares market. BITQ may experience losses due to illiquidity of the Chinese securities markets or delay or disruption in execution or settlement of trades. BITQ's investments in A-shares may become subject to frequent and widespread trading halts. In addition, Stock Connect, which is a securities trading and clearing link between the Shanghai Stock Exchange, the Shenzhen Stock Exchange and the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, only operates on days when the Chinese and Hong Kong stock markets are each open for trading and when banks in each market are open on the corresponding settlement days. BITQ may purchase and sell A-shares through Stock Connect only on days when Stock Connect and U.S. markets are open for trading. Therefore, if it is a normal trading day for the Chinese market but Hong Kong and/or U.S. markets are closed, BITQ will not be able to trade any A-shares. BITQ may be subject to the risk of price fluctuations in A-shares on such days. BITQ is also subject to the risk that it will not be able to buy or sell A-shares in a timely manner on days when the U.S. markets are open but Stock Connect is not.

Ether Risk. Ether is subject to significant volatility, rapid price fluctuations and uncertainty. While ether has experienced substantial growth in institutional adoption, regulatory recognition and technological maturity, its value remains influenced by market sentiment, speculative investment activities, macroeconomic factors and ongoing technological developments rather than purely traditional fundamental analysis. Ethereum is an evolving blockchain platform that continues to undergo substantial upgrades, such as the transition from Proof-of-Work to Proof-of-Stake (Ethereum 2.0 or the "Merge") and the ongoing rollout of scalability improvements

(including Layer 2 solutions such as rollups). These complex technological upgrades are intended to improve Ethereum's scalability, security, transaction throughput, energy efficiency and usability. However, each significant update introduces risks, including technical vulnerabilities, potential software flaws, delays in development, operational disruptions, or unintended economic impacts, any of which could negatively affect investor confidence, the adoption of the Ethereum blockchain or ether's valuation. The regulatory environment for ether and the Ethereum blockchain remains uncertain and varied globally. While certain jurisdictions have provided increased regulatory clarity and oversight, significant regulatory risks persist. Unanticipated regulatory actions—including enforcement actions, reclassification of ether's regulatory status (such as a security versus commodity) or significant policy changes—could materially impact ether's value and liquidity. Investors should remain aware that shifts in regulatory classification or compliance requirements may adversely impact the viability, market perception, or utility of ether. The Ethereum ecosystem relies heavily on smart contracts—computer code deployed on the Ethereum blockchain capable of automating financial transactions, asset management and decentralized application (dApp) functionalities. While smart contracts enable substantial innovation, they remain vulnerable to coding errors, exploitation, hacks and manipulation. Past security breaches involving decentralized finance (DeFi) platforms, decentralized exchanges and smart contract-based projects have led to significant financial losses, adversely affecting market sentiment, investor confidence and ether's valuation. Competition from other blockchain networks, sometimes referred to as "Ethereum alternatives" or "Layer 1 competitors," remains robust. Networks offering potentially superior scalability, lower transaction fees, enhanced privacy or specific technical advantages—such as Solana, Avalanche, Cardano, Polkadot and others—continue to attract users, developers and investors. Successful adoption and growth of competing blockchain ecosystems could limit Ethereum's market share and ecosystem development, and thus negatively impact ether's long-term valuation. Furthermore, the Ethereum network faces potential governance risks. Decisions regarding protocol upgrades, network policies or operational changes depend on community consensus among diverse stakeholders, including core developers, validators, decentralized autonomous organizations (DAOs) and other influential actors. Disagreements or governance failures within the Ethereum community could result in contentious blockchain forks, fragmentation of resources, diminished market confidence or value dilution.

China Risk. BITQ's investments in instruments that provide exposure to Chinese companies subject BITQ to risks specific to China. China may be subject to considerable degrees of economic, political and social instability. China is an emerging market and demonstrates significantly higher volatility from time to time in comparison to developed markets. Over the last few decades, the Chinese government has undertaken reform of economic and market practices and has expanded the sphere of private ownership of property in China. However, Chinese markets generally continue to experience inefficiency, volatility and pricing anomalies resulting from governmental influence, a lack of publicly available information and/or political and social instability. Chinese companies are also subject to the risk that Chinese authorities can intervene in their operations and structure. Internal social unrest or confrontations with neighboring countries, including military conflicts in response to such events, may also disrupt economic development in China and result in a greater risk of currency fluctuations, currency non-convertibility, interest rate fluctuations and higher rates of inflation. China has experienced security concerns, such as terrorism and strained international relations. Additionally, China is

alleged to have participated in state-sponsored cyberattacks against foreign companies and foreign governments. Actual and threatened responses to such activity and strained international relations, including purchasing restrictions, sanctions, tariffs or cyberattacks on the Chinese government or Chinese companies, may impact China's economy and Chinese issuers of securities in which BITQ invests. Incidents involving China's or the region's security may cause uncertainty in Chinese markets and may adversely affect the Chinese economy and BITO's investments. Export growth continues to be a major driver of China's rapid economic growth. Reduction in spending on Chinese products and services, supply chain diversification, institution of additional tariffs or other trade barriers (including as a result of heightened trade tensions or a trade war between China and the U.S. or in response to actual or alleged Chinese cyber activity) or a downturn in any of the economies of China's key trading partners may have an adverse impact on the Chinese economy. BITQ's investments may include companies that are subject to economic or trade restrictions (but not investment restrictions) imposed by the U.S. or other governments due to national security, human rights or other concerns of such government. So long as these restrictions do not include restrictions on investments, BITQ is generally expected to invest in such companies. Chinese companies are not subject to the same degree of regulatory requirements, accounting standards or auditor oversight as companies in more developed countries. As a result, information about the Chinese securities in which BITQ invests may be less reliable or complete. Chinese companies with securities listed on U.S. exchanges may be delisted if they do not meet U.S. accounting standards and auditor oversight requirements, which would significantly decrease the liquidity and value of the securities. There may be significant obstacles to obtaining information necessary for investigations into or litigation against Chinese companies, and shareholders may have limited legal remedies.

<u>Common Stock Risk</u>. Common stock holds the lowest priority in the capital structure of a company and, therefore, takes the largest share of the company's risk and its accompanying volatility. The value of the common stock held by BITQ may fall due to general market and economic conditions, perceptions regarding the industries in which the issuers of securities held by BITQ participate, or facts relating to specific companies in which BITQ invests.

<u>Crypto Asset Risk</u>. Certain of the Fund's investments may be subject to the risks associated with investing in crypto assets, including cryptocurrencies and crypto tokens. Such companies may be subject to the risk that the technology that facilitates the transfer of a cryptocurrency could fail or be affected by connectivity disruptions, fraud or cyberattacks; that because crypto assets are a new technological innovation with a limited history, they are highly speculative assets; that future regulatory actions or policies may limit the ability to sell, exchange or use a crypto asset; that the price of a crypto asset may be impacted by the transactions of a small number of holders of such crypto asset; and that a crypto asset will decline in popularity, acceptance or use, thereby impairing its price.

<u>Depositary Receipt Risk</u>. Depositary receipts are subject to the risks associated with investing directly in foreign securities. In addition, investments in depositary receipts may be less liquid than the underlying shares in their primary trading market.

<u>Emerging Markets Securities Risk</u>. Emerging markets are subject to greater market volatility, lower trading volume, political and economic instability, uncertainty regarding the existence of

trading markets and more governmental limitations on foreign investment than more developed markets. In addition, securities in emerging markets may be subject to greater price fluctuations than securities in more developed markets. Differences in regulatory, accounting, auditing, and financial reporting and recordkeeping standards could impede BITQ's investment adviser's ability to evaluate local companies and impact BITQ's performance. Investments in securities of issuers in emerging markets may also be exposed to risks related to a lack of liquidity, greater potential for market manipulation, issuers' limited reliable access to capital, and foreign investment structures. Additionally, BITQ may have limited rights and remedies available to it to pursue claims against issuers in emerging markets.

<u>Financial Companies Risk.</u> Companies in the financials sector are subject to extensive governmental regulation and intervention, which may adversely affect the scope of their activities, the prices they can charge, the amount of capital and liquid assets they must maintain and, potentially, their size. Governmental regulation may change frequently and may have significant adverse consequences for companies in the financials sector, including effects not intended by such regulation. Increased risk taking by financial companies may also result in greater overall risk in the U.S. and global financials sector. The impact of changes in capital requirements, or recent or future regulation in various countries, on any individual financial company or on the financials sector as a whole cannot be predicted.

Foreign Securities Risk. Investments in non-U.S. securities involve certain risks that may not be present with investments in U.S. securities. For example, investments in non-U.S. securities may be subject to risk of loss due to foreign currency fluctuations or to expropriation, nationalization or adverse political or economic developments. Foreign securities may have relatively low market liquidity and decreased publicly available information about issuers. Investments in non-U.S. securities also may be subject to withholding or other taxes and may be subject to additional trading, settlement, custodial and operational risks. Non-U.S. issuers may also be subject to inconsistent and potentially less stringent accounting, auditing, financial reporting and investor protection standards than U.S. issuers. These and other factors can make investments in BITQ more volatile and potentially less liquid than other types of investments. In addition, where all or a portion of BITQ's portfolio holdings trade in markets that are closed when BITQ's market is open, there may be valuation differences that could lead to differences between BITQ's market price and the value of BITQ's portfolio holding.

<u>Information Technology Companies Risk.</u> Information technology companies face intense competition, both domestically and internationally, which may have an adverse effect on profit margins. Like other technology companies, information technology companies may have limited product lines, markets, financial resources or personnel. The products of information technology companies may face obsolescence due to rapid technological developments, frequent new product introduction, unpredictable changes in growth rates and competition for the services of qualified personnel. Companies in the information technology sector are heavily dependent on patent and intellectual property rights. The loss or impairment of these rights may adversely affect the profitability of these companies. Information technology companies are facing increased government and regulatory scrutiny and may be subject to adverse government or regulatory action.

<u>Passive Investment Risk</u>. BITQ is not actively managed and, therefore, BITQ would not sell a security due to current or projected underperformance of the security, industry or sector, unless that security is removed from the Index or selling the security is otherwise required upon a rebalancing of the BITQ Index.

<u>Small- and Mid-Capitalization Companies Risk</u>. The small- and mid-capitalization companies in which BITQ invests may be more vulnerable to adverse business or economic events than larger, more established companies and may underperform other segments of the market or the equity market as a whole. Securities of small- and mid-capitalization companies generally trade in lower volumes, are often more vulnerable to market volatility, and are subject to greater and more unpredictable price changes than larger capitalization stocks or the stock market as a whole.

Spot Ether ETP Risks. The Bitwise Ethereum Option Income Strategy ETF may have exposure to Spot Ether ETPs through its utilization of Ether ETP Options that utilize a Spot Ether ETP as the reference asset. Accordingly, the Fund will be subject to the risks of Spot Ether ETPs set forth below.

<u>Ether Risk</u>. Ether is subject to significant volatility, rapid price fluctuations and uncertainty. While ether has experienced substantial growth in institutional adoption, regulatory recognition and technological maturity, its value remains influenced by market sentiment, speculative investment activities, macroeconomic factors and ongoing technological developments rather than purely traditional fundamental analysis. Ethereum is an evolving blockchain platform that continues to undergo substantial upgrades, such as the transition from Proof-of-Work to Proofof-Stake (Ethereum 2.0 or the "Merge") and the ongoing rollout of scalability improvements (including Layer 2 solutions such as rollups). These complex technological upgrades are intended to improve Ethereum's scalability, security, transaction throughput, energy efficiency and usability. However, each significant update introduces risks including technical vulnerabilities, potential software flaws, delays in development, operational disruptions or unintended economic impacts, any of which could negatively affect investor confidence, the adoption of the Ethereum blockchain or ether's valuation. The regulatory environment for ether and the Ethereum blockchain remains uncertain and varied globally. While certain jurisdictions have provided increased regulatory clarity and oversight, significant regulatory risks persist. Unanticipated regulatory actions—including enforcement actions, reclassification of ether's regulatory status (such as a security versus commodity) or significant policy changes—could materially impact ether's value and liquidity. Investors should remain aware that shifts in regulatory classification or compliance requirements may adversely impact the viability, market perception or utility of ether. The Ethereum ecosystem relies heavily on smart contracts—computer code deployed on the Ethereum blockchain capable of automating financial transactions, asset management and decentralized application (dApp) functionalities. While smart contracts enable substantial innovation, they remain vulnerable to coding errors, exploitation, hacks and manipulation. Past security breaches involving decentralized finance (DeFi) platforms, decentralized exchanges and smart contract-based projects have led to significant financial losses, adversely affecting market sentiment, investor confidence and ether's valuation. Competition from other blockchain networks, sometimes referred to as "Ethereum alternatives" or "Layer 1 competitors," remains robust. Networks offering potentially superior scalability, lower transaction fees, enhanced privacy or specific technical advantages—such as Solana, Avalanche, Cardano, Polkadot and others—continue to attract users, developers and investors. Successful adoption and growth of competing blockchain ecosystems could limit Ethereum's market share, ecosystem development and thus negatively impact ether's long-term valuation. Furthermore, the Ethereum network faces potential governance risks. Decisions regarding protocol upgrades, network policies, or operational changes depend on community consensus among diverse stakeholders, including core developers, validators, decentralized autonomous organizations (DAOs) and other influential actors. Disagreements or governance failures within the Ethereum community could result in contentious blockchain forks, fragmentation of resources, diminished market confidence or value dilution.

<u>Custody Risk</u>. Security breaches, computer malware and computer hacking attacks have been a prevalent concern in relation to digital assets. The ether held by the Spot Ether ETPs' custodian will likely be an appealing target to hackers or malware distributors seeking to destroy, damage or steal the Spot Ether ETPs' ether. To the extent that the Spot Ether ETPs and their service providers are unable to identify and mitigate or stop new security threats or otherwise adapt to technological changes in the digital asset industry, a Spot Ether ETP's ether may be subject to theft, loss, destruction or other attack. The Spot Ether ETPs have put security procedures in place to prevent such theft, loss or destruction, including but not limited to, offline storage, or cold storage, multiple encrypted private key "shards" and other measures. Nevertheless, the security procedures cannot guarantee the prevention of any loss due to a security breach, software defect or act of God that may be borne by the Spot Ether ETPs and the security procedures may not protect against all errors, software flaws or other vulnerabilities in a Spot Ether ETP's technical infrastructure, which could result in theft, loss or damage of its assets. The Spot Ether ETPs do not control the operations of their service providers or their implementation of such security procedures, and there can be no assurance that such security procedures will actually work as designed or prove to be successful in safeguarding a Spot Ether ETP's assets against all possible sources of theft, loss or damage. Assets not held in cold storage, such as assets held in a trading account, may be more vulnerable to security breach, hacking or loss than assets held in cold storage. Furthermore, assets held in a trading account are held on an omnibus rather than segregated basis, which creates greater risk of loss. The security procedures and operational infrastructure may be breached due to the actions of outside parties, error or malfeasance of an employee of a Spot Ether ETP's service providers, and, as a result, an unauthorized party may obtain access to the Spot Ether ETP's account at the custodian where its ether is held, the relevant private keys (and therefore ether) or other data or property of a Spot Ether ETP. Additionally, outside parties may attempt to fraudulently induce employees of a Spot Ether ETP or its service providers to disclose sensitive information in order to gain access to a Spot Ether ETP's infrastructure. As the techniques used to obtain unauthorized access, disable or degrade service, or sabotage systems change frequently, or may be designed to remain dormant until a predetermined event and often are not recognized until launched against a target, a Spot Ether ETP and its service providers may be unable to anticipate these techniques or implement adequate preventative measures.

<u>Digital Asset Trading Platforms Risk</u>. Digital asset trading platforms remain relatively new and vary significantly in terms of regulation, transparency, operational stability and compliance standards. While certain prominent trading platforms—particularly those based in the United States—have substantially improved transparency, compliance, and regulatory adherence, many platforms still operate internationally or offshore with significantly less stringent oversight.

Platforms located outside the United States may be subject to minimal or inconsistent regulatory enforcement and often do not provide sufficient public information regarding their management structure, ownership, financial stability, cybersecurity practices, or compliance controls. Despite increased institutional involvement, enhanced security measures, and more standardized operating practices adopted by leading platforms, digital asset exchanges continue to be vulnerable to cybersecurity threats, hacking incidents, fraudulent activities, operational disruptions and other technical risks. High-profile failures, breaches or shutdowns of major trading platforms or custodians—such as those arising from fraud, cybersecurity incidents, regulatory enforcement actions or insolvency—can significantly reduce investor confidence, increase market volatility and potentially trigger contagion effects across the digital asset ecosystem. Regulatory developments and enforcement actions continue to shape the landscape in which digital asset platforms operate. Recent regulatory scrutiny has heightened globally, particularly in jurisdictions with substantial trading volumes, such as the United States, Europe and Asia. Increased regulatory oversight, while potentially positive for market stability in the long run, can create short-term disruption, reduce liquidity, prompt platform closures or alter business models substantially, thereby affecting the prices of digital assets, including ether. Investors should be aware that trading or custodying ether on less transparent or poorly regulated platforms increases the risk of losing access to digital assets due to platform insolvency, hacking incidents, regulatory intervention or operational failure. Although improvements have been made, the digital asset marketplace remains inherently riskier than traditional financial markets, and investors may have limited recourse if a digital asset trading platform fails or is compromised.

<u>Irrevocability of Transactions Risk</u>. Ether transactions are typically not reversible without the consent and active participation of the recipient of the transaction. Once a transaction has been verified and recorded in a block that is added to the Ethereum blockchain, an incorrect transfer or theft of ether generally will not be reversible, and a Spot Ether ETP may not be capable of seeking compensation for any such transfer or theft. It is possible that, through computer or human error, or through theft or other criminal action, a Spot Ether ETP's ether could be transferred from a Spot Ether ETP's account at its custodian in incorrect amounts or to unauthorized third parties, or to uncontrolled accounts.

<u>Trading Halt Risk</u>. Trading in shares of a Spot Ether ETP on U.S. securities exchanges may be halted due to market conditions or for reasons that, in the view of an exchange, make trading in shares of a Spot Ether ETP inadvisable. In addition, trading of shares of a Spot Ether ETP on securities exchanges is subject to trading halts caused by extraordinary market volatility pursuant to an exchange's "circuit breaker" rules. Shares of a Spot Ether ETP may be at a higher risk of a trading halt due to the volatility of ether. In the event that shares of a Spot Ether ETP are subject to a trading halt, the Fund's ability to pursue its principal investment strategy may be impaired and the Fund may be negatively affected.

<u>Volatility Risk</u>. The price of ether remains highly volatile and subject to significant price fluctuations. While recent increases in institutional adoption, clearer regulatory frameworks and broader market acceptance have contributed to greater stability relative to earlier periods, the price of ether continues to be influenced by rapid shifts in market sentiment, regulatory developments, macroeconomic conditions, technological advancements and unforeseen events.

The market price of ether has historically experienced dramatic highs and lows over short periods, often with limited or no identifiable catalyst. Given the evolving nature of digital asset markets, price volatility may be amplified by external factors such as changes in global financial markets, geopolitical events, regulatory enforcement actions or significant technological or security incidents. Furthermore, speculative trading, leveraged positions and derivatives markets tied to ether continue to contribute to potential volatility. Investors should remain aware that sudden, substantial price movements may occur at any time, potentially leading to significant losses. Consequently, investments linked directly or indirectly to ether, including Spot Ether ETPs, may experience heightened volatility compared to traditional investment products.

Ether Futures ETFs Risk. The Bitwise Ethereum Option Income Strategy ETF may have exposure to Ether Futures ETFs through its utilization of Ether ETP Options that utilize an Ether Futures ETF as the reference asset. Accordingly, the Fund will be subject to the risks of Ether Futures ETFs set forth below. Ether Futures ETFs are also subject to the risks set forth above in Spot Ether ETPs Risk, as well as Active Management Risk, Concentration Risk, Cybersecurity Risk, Derivatives Risk, Leverage Risk, Liquidity Risk, Operational Risk, Structural ETF Risk, U.S. Government Securities Risk and Valuation Risk set forth below.

Ether Futures Risk. The market for ether futures contracts may be less developed, and potentially less liquid and more volatile, than more established futures markets. While the market for ether futures contracts has grown substantially since ether futures contracts commenced trading, there can be no assurance that this growth will continue. The price for ether futures contracts is based on a number of factors, including the supply of and the demand for ether futures contracts. Market conditions and expectations, position limits, accountability levels, collateral requirements, availability of counterparties, and other factors each can impact the supply of and demand for ether futures contracts. Additionally, due to the high margin requirements that are unique to ether futures contracts, an Ether Futures ETF may experience difficulty maintaining the desired level of exposure to ether futures contracts. If an Ether Futures ETF is unable to achieve such exposure it may not be able to meet its investment objective and the fund's returns may be different or lower than expected. Additionally, collateral requirements may require an Ether Futures ETF to liquidate its positions, potentially incurring losses and expenses, when it otherwise would not do so. Investing in derivatives like ether futures contracts may be considered aggressive and may expose an Ether Futures ETF to significant risks. These risks include counterparty risk and liquidity risk.

<u>Ether Futures Capacity Risk</u>. If an Ether Futures ETF's ability to obtain exposure to ether futures contracts consistent with its investment objective is disrupted for any reason including, for example, limited liquidity in the ether futures contracts market, a disruption to the ether futures contracts market, or as a result of margin requirements, position limits, accountability levels, or other limitations imposed by an Ether Future ETF's futures commission merchants ("FCMs"), the listing exchanges, or the CFTC, an Ether Futures ETF may not be able to achieve its investment objective and may experience significant losses.

Any disruption in an Ether Futures ETF's ability to obtain exposure to ether futures contracts will cause the Ether Futures ETF's performance to deviate from the performance of ether futures contracts, and consequently, ether. Additionally, the ability of an Ether Futures ETF to obtain

exposure to ether futures contracts may be limited by certain tax rules that limit the amount an Ether Futures ETF can invest in its wholly-owned subsidiary as of the end of each tax quarter. Exceeding this amount may have tax consequences.

Cost of Futures Investment Risk. When an ether futures contract is nearing expiration, an Ether Futures ETF will "roll" the futures contract, which means it will generally sell the ether futures contract and use the proceeds to buy an ether futures contract with a later expiration date. When rolling futures contracts that are in contango, an Ether Futures ETF would sell a lower priced, expiring contract and purchase a higher priced, longer-dated contract. The price difference between the expiring contract and longer-dated contract associated with rolling futures contracts is typically substantially higher than the price difference associated with rolling other futures contracts. Ether futures contracts have historically experienced extended periods of contango. Contango in the ether futures contracts market may have a significant adverse impact on the performance of an Ether Futures ETF and may cause ether futures contracts, and an Ether Futures ETF, to underperform the current price of ether. Both contango and backwardation would reduce an Ether Futures ETF's correlation to the current price of ether and may limit or prevent an Ether Futures ETF from achieving its investment objective.

Clearing Broker Risk. An Ether Futures ETF's investments in exchange-traded futures contracts expose it to the risks of a clearing broker (or an FCM). Under current regulations, a clearing broker or FCM maintains customers' assets in a bulk segregated account. There is a risk that the assets of an Ether Futures ETF deposited with the clearing broker to serve as margin may be used to satisfy the broker's own obligations or the losses of the broker's other clients. In the event of default, an Ether Futures ETF could experience lengthy delays in recovering some or all of its assets and may not see any recovery at all. Furthermore, an Ether Futures ETF is subject to the risk that no FCM is willing or able to clear the Fund's transactions or maintain an Ether Futures ETF's assets. If an Ether Futures ETF's FCMs are unable or unwilling to clear an Ether Futures ETF's transactions, or if the FCM refuses to maintain an Ether Futures ETF's assets, an Ether Futures ETF will be unable have its orders for ether futures contracts fulfilled or assets custodied. In such a circumstance, the performance of an Ether Futures ETF will likely deviate from the performance of ether and may result in the proportion of ether futures contracts in an Ether Futures ETF's portfolio relative to the total assets of an Ether Futures ETF to decrease.

<u>Commodity Regulatory Risk.</u> An Ether Futures ETF's use of commodities futures subject to regulation by the CFTC has caused an Ether Futures ETF to be classified as a "commodity pool" and this designation requires that an Ether Futures ETF comply with CFTC rules, which may impose additional regulatory requirements and compliance obligations. An Ether Futures ETF's investment decisions may need to be modified, and commodity contract positions held by an Ether Futures ETF may have to be liquidated at disadvantageous times or prices, to avoid exceeding any applicable position limits established by the CFTC, potentially subjecting an Ether Futures ETF to substantial losses. The regulation of commodity transactions in the United States is subject to ongoing modification by government, self-regulatory and judicial action. The effect of any future regulatory change with respect to any aspect of an Ether Futures ETF is impossible to predict, but could be substantial and adverse to an Ether Futures ETF.

Futures Contract Risk. Risks of futures contracts include: (i) an imperfect correlation between the value of the futures contract and the underlying asset; (ii) possible lack of a liquid secondary market; (iii) the inability to close a futures contract when desired; (iv) losses caused by unanticipated market movements, which may be unlimited; (v) an obligation for an Ether Futures ETF to make daily cash payments to maintain its required margin, particularly at times when an Ether Futures ETF may have insufficient cash; and (vi) unfavorable execution prices from rapid selling. Unlike equities, which typically entitle the holder to a continuing stake in a corporation, futures contracts normally specify a certain date for settlement in cash based on the reference asset. As the futures contracts approach expiration, they may be replaced by similar contracts that have a later expiration. This process is referred to as "rolling." If the market for these contracts is in "contango," meaning that the prices of futures contracts in the nearer months are lower than the price of contracts in the distant months, the sale of the near-term month contract would be at a lower price than the longer-term contract, resulting in a cost to "roll" the futures contract. The actual realization of a potential roll cost will be dependent upon the difference in price of the near and distant contract. The costs associated with rolling ether futures contracts may have a significant adverse impact on the performance of the Ether Futures ETF.

<u>Subsidiary Investment Risk</u>. Changes in the laws of the United States and/or the Cayman Islands, under which certain Ether Futures ETFs and their wholly-owned Cayman subsidiaries are organized, respectively, could result in the inability of an Ether Futures ETF to operate as intended and could negatively affect an Ether Futures ETF and its shareholders (such as the Fund). An Ether Futures ETF's Cayman subsidiary is not registered under the 1940 Act and is not subject to all the investor protections of the 1940 Act.

Active Management Risk. Each Fund is actively managed, and its performance reflects investment decisions that the Adviser makes for the Fund. Such judgments about a Fund's investments may prove to be incorrect. If the investments selected and the strategies employed by a Fund fail to produce the intended results, the Fund could underperform as compared to other funds with similar investment objectives and/or strategies or could have negative returns.

Clearing Member Default Risk. Transactions in some types of derivatives, including the options held by the Fund, are required to be centrally cleared ("cleared derivatives"). In a transaction involving cleared derivatives, each Fund's counterparty is a clearinghouse, such as the OCC, rather than a bank or broker. Since the Funds are not a member of clearinghouses, and only members of a clearinghouse ("clearing members") can participate directly in the clearinghouse, each Fund will hold cleared derivatives through accounts at clearing members. With regard to its cleared derivatives positions, a Fund will make payments (including margin payments) to, and receive payments from, a clearinghouse through their accounts at clearing members. Customer funds held at a clearing organization in connection with any option contracts are held in a commingled omnibus account and are not associated with any of the clearing member's individual customers by name. As a result, assets deposited by a Fund with any clearing member as margin for its options position may, in certain circumstances, be used to satisfy losses of other clients of the Fund's clearing member. In addition, although clearing members guarantee performance of their clients' obligations to the clearinghouse, there is a risk that the assets of a Fund might not be fully protected in the event of the clearing member's bankruptcy. Each Fund is also subject to the risk that a limited number of clearing members are willing to transact on the Fund's behalf, which heightens the risks associated with a clearing member's default. If a clearing member defaults, a Fund

could lose some or all of the benefits of a transaction entered into by the Fund with the clearing member. The loss of a clearing member for a Fund to transact with could result in increased transaction costs and other operational issues that could impede the Fund's ability to implement its investment strategy. If a Fund cannot find a clearing member to transact with on the Fund's behalf, the Fund may be unable to effectively implement its investment strategy.

Concentration Risk. Each Fund is susceptible to an increased risk of loss, including losses due to adverse events that affect the Fund's investments more than the market as a whole, to the extent that the Fund's investments are concentrated.

Current Market Conditions Risk. Current market conditions risk is the risk that a particular investment, or Fund Shares in general, may fall in value due to current market conditions. As a means to fight inflation, which remains at elevated levels, the Federal Reserve and certain foreign central banks have raised interest rates; however, the Federal Reserve has recently lowered interest rates and may continue to do so. U.S. regulators have proposed several changes to market and issuer regulations that would directly impact a Fund, and any regulatory changes could adversely impact a Fund's ability to achieve its investment strategies or make certain investments. Recent and potential future bank failures could result in disruption to the broader banking industry or markets generally and reduce confidence in financial institutions and the economy as a whole, which may also heighten market volatility and reduce liquidity. Additionally, challenges in commercial real estate markets, including rising interest rates, declining valuations and increasing vacancies, could have a broader impact on financial markets. The ongoing adversarial political climate in the United States, as well as political and diplomatic events both domestic and abroad, have and may continue to have an adverse impact the U.S. regulatory landscape, markets and investor behavior, which could have a negative impact on a Fund's investments and operations. The change in administration resulting from the 2024 United States national elections could result in significant impacts to international trade relations, tax and immigration policies, and other aspects of the national and international political and financial landscape, which could affect, among other things, inflation and the securities markets generally. Other unexpected political, regulatory and diplomatic events within the U.S. and abroad may affect investor and consumer confidence and may adversely impact financial markets and the broader economy. For example, ongoing armed conflicts between Russia and Ukraine in Europe and among Israel, Iran, Hamas and other militant groups in the Middle East, have caused and could continue to cause significant market disruptions and volatility within the markets in Russia, Europe, the Middle East and the United States. The hostilities and sanctions resulting from those hostilities have and could continue to have a significant impact on certain Fund investments as well as Fund performance and liquidity. The economies of the United States and its trading partners, as well as the financial markets generally, may be adversely impacted by trade disputes, including the imposition of tariffs, and other matters. For example, the United States has imposed trade barriers and restrictions on China. In addition, the Chinese government is engaged in a longstanding dispute with Taiwan, continually threatening an invasion. If the political climate between the United States and China does not improve or continues to deteriorate, if China were to attempt invading Taiwan, or if other geopolitical conflicts develop or worsen, economies, markets and individual securities may be adversely affected, and the value of a Fund's assets may go down. A public health crisis and the ensuing policies enacted by governments and central banks may cause significant volatility and uncertainty in global financial markets, negatively impacting global growth prospects. As the COVID-19 global pandemic illustrated, such events may affect certain geographic regions, countries, sectors and industries more significantly than others. Advancements in technology may also adversely impact markets and the overall performance of a Fund. For instance, the economy may be significantly impacted by the advanced development and increased regulation of artificial intelligence. Additionally, cybersecurity breaches of both government and non-government entities could have negative impacts on infrastructure and the ability of such entities, including a Fund, to operate properly. These events, and any other future events, may adversely affect the prices and liquidity of a Fund's portfolio investments and could result in disruptions in the trading markets.

Cybersecurity Risk. Each Fund is susceptible to operational risks due to breaches in cybersecurity. A breach in cybersecurity refers to both intentional and unintentional events that may cause a Fund to lose proprietary information, suffer data corruption or lose operational capacity. Such events could cause a Fund to incur regulatory penalties, reputational damage, additional compliance costs associated with corrective measures and/or financial loss. Cybersecurity breaches may involve unauthorized access to a Fund's digital information systems through "hacking" or malicious software coding but may also result from outside attacks such as denial-of-service attacks due to efforts to make network services unavailable to intended users. In addition, cybersecurity breaches of a Fund's third-party service providers, such as its administrator, transfer agent, custodian, or sub-advisor, as applicable, or the issuers in which a Fund invests, can also subject a Fund to many of the same risks associated with direct cybersecurity breaches. Although the Funds have established risk management systems designed to reduce the risks associated with cybersecurity, there is no guarantee that such efforts will succeed, especially because the Funds do not directly control the cybersecurity systems of issuers or third-party service providers.

Derivatives Risk. The use of derivative instruments involves risks different from, or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities and other traditional investments. These risks include: (i) the risk that the counterparty to a derivative transaction may not fulfill its contractual obligations; (ii) the risk of mispricing or improper valuation; and (iii) the risk that changes in the value of the derivative may not correlate perfectly with the underlying asset. Derivative prices are highly volatile and may fluctuate substantially during a short period of time. Such prices are influenced by numerous factors that affect the markets, including, but not limited to: changing supply and demand relationships; government programs and policies; national and international political and economic events, changes in interest rates, inflation and deflation and changes in supply and demand relationships. Trading derivative instruments involves risks different from, or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities. Derivative contracts ordinarily have leverage inherent in their terms. The use of leverage may cause a Fund to liquidate portfolio positions when it would not be advantageous to do so in order to satisfy its obligations or to meet regulatory or contractual requirements for derivatives. The use of derivatives can magnify potential for gain or loss and, therefore, amplify the effects of market volatility on share price.

FLEX Options Risk. Trading FLEX Options involves risks different from, or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities. A Fund may experience losses from specific FLEX Option positions and certain FLEX Option positions may expire worthless. The FLEX Options are listed on an exchange; however, no one can guarantee that a liquid secondary trading market will exist for the FLEX Options. In the event that trading in the FLEX Options is limited or absent, the value of a Fund's FLEX Options may decrease. In a less liquid market for the FLEX Options, liquidating the FLEX Options may require the payment of a premium (for written FLEX Options) or acceptance of a discounted price (for purchased FLEX Options) and may take longer to complete. A less liquid trading market may adversely impact the value of the FLEX Options and Fund Shares and result in the Fund

being unable to achieve its investment objective. Less liquidity in the trading of a Fund's FLEX Options could have an impact on the prices paid or received by the Fund for the FLEX Options in connection with creations and redemptions of Fund Shares. Depending on the nature of this impact to pricing, a Fund may be forced to pay more for redemptions (or receive less for creations) than the price at which it currently values the FLEX Options. Such overpayment or under collection could reduce a Fund's ability to achieve its investment objective. Additionally, in a less liquid market for the FLEX Options, the liquidation of a large number of options may more significantly impact the price. A less liquid trading market may adversely impact the value of the FLEX Options and the value of your investment. The trading in FLEX Options may be less deep and liquid than the market for certain other exchange-traded options, non-customized options or other securities.

Leverage Risk. While the Funds do not seek leveraged exposure, each Fund seeks to achieve and maintain the exposure to the price of its Applicable Security by using the leverage inherent in options contracts. Therefore, each Fund is subject to leverage risk. When a Fund purchases or sells an instrument or enters into a transaction without investing an amount equal to the full economic exposure of the instrument or transaction, it creates leverage, which can result in a Fund losing more than it originally invested. As a result, these investments may magnify losses to a Fund, and even a small market movement may result in significant losses to the Fund. Leverage may also cause a Fund to be more volatile because it may exaggerate the effect of any increase or decrease in the value of the Fund's portfolio securities. Options trading involves a degree of leverage and, as a result, a relatively small price movement in futures instruments may result in immediate and substantial losses to a Fund.

Liquidity Risk. The market for options may be subject to periods of illiquidity. During such times it may be difficult or impossible to buy or sell a position at the desired price. Market disruptions or volatility can also make it difficult to find a counterparty willing to transact at a reasonable price and sufficient size. Illiquid markets may cause losses, which could be significant. The large size of the positions which a Fund may acquire increases the risk of illiquidity, may make its positions more difficult to liquidate and may increase the losses incurred while trying to do so. Such large positions also may impact the price of options.

New Fund Risk. Each Fund is a recently organized investment company with a limited operating history. As a result, prospective investors have a limited track record or history on which to base their investment decision.

Non-Diversification Risk. As a "non-diversified" fund, each Fund may hold a smaller number of portfolio securities than many other funds. To the extent a Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, a decline in the market value of a particular security held by a Fund may affect its value more than if it invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of the Fund Shares may be more volatile than the values of shares of more diversified funds.

Operational Risk. Each Fund is subject to risks arising from various operational factors, including, but not limited to, human error; processing and communication errors; errors of a Fund's service providers, counterparties or other third parties; failed or inadequate processes; and technology or systems failures. Each Fund relies on third parties for a range of services including custody. Any delay or failure relating to engaging or maintaining such service providers may affect a Fund's ability to meet its investment objective. Although the Funds and the Adviser seek to reduce these operational risks through controls and procedures, there is no way to completely protect against such risks.

Options Risk. The use of options involves investment strategies and risks different from those associated with ordinary portfolio securities transactions and depends on the ability of a Fund's portfolio managers to forecast market movements correctly. The prices of options are volatile and are influenced by, among other things, actual and anticipated changes in the value of the underlying instrument, or in interest or currency exchange rates, including the anticipated volatility, which in turn are affected by fiscal and monetary policies and by national and international political and economic events. The effective use of options also depends on a Fund's ability to terminate option positions at times deemed desirable to do so. There is no assurance that a Fund will be able to effect closing transactions at any particular time or at an acceptable price. In addition, there may at times be an imperfect correlation between the movement in values of options and their underlying securities, and there may at times not be a liquid secondary market for certain options.

Portfolio Turnover Risk. The Funds may experience high levels of portfolio turnover. A high portfolio turnover rate increases transaction costs, which may increase a Fund's expenses. Frequent trading may also cause adverse tax consequences for investors in a Fund due to an increase in short-term capital gains.

Special Tax Risk. Each Fund intends to qualify as a RIC, however, the federal income tax treatment of certain aspects of the proposed operations of the Fund are not entirely clear. This includes the tax aspects of a Fund's options strategy, the possible application of the "straddle" rules, and various loss limitation provisions of the Code. If, in any year, a Fund fails to qualify as a RIC under the applicable tax laws, the Fund would be taxed as an ordinary corporation.

To the extent that a Fund's investments in Bitcoin ETP Options or Ether ETP Options include offsetting positions, the character of gains or losses realized by a Fund under the Code's "straddle" rules may be affected and may increase the amount of short-term capital gain realized by the Fund. A Fund may hold certain options that do not qualify as "Section 1256 contracts" under Section 1256 of the Code, and disposition of such options will likely result in short-term or long-term capital gains or losses depending on the holding period.

To the extent Bitcoin ETP Options or Ether ETP Options held by a Fund are deemed to be Section 1256 contracts, gains and losses on such options will generally be treated as 60% long-term capital and 40% short-term capital, regardless of how long the Fund has held such options. Section 1256 contracts held by a Fund at the end of a taxable year are "marked to market" for income tax purposes, meaning that unrealized gains or losses are treated as though they were realized (and treated on the 60/40 basis described above). A Fund's use of Bitcoin ETP Options or Ether ETP Options categorized as Section 1256 contracts will increase the likelihood that the Fund will be subject to recognize short-term and long-term capital gains as such options do not benefit from the tax efficiencies generated by an ETF's in-kind creation and redemption mechanism. A Fund will be required to distribution substantially all of its net short term capital gain and will either distribute its net long term capital gain or notify the shareholders that the Fund is electing to pay tax on its long-term capital gains but that the shareholders will be required to include the long-term capital gains in income.

In addition, based upon language in the legislative history, each Fund intends to treat the issuer of the options as the issuer of the referenced asset or in the case of Bitcoin ETP Options that reference a Bitcoin ETP Index, the issuers of the securities underlying the index, which, assuming the referenced asset qualifies as a RIC, would allow the Fund to qualify for special rules in the RIC diversification

requirements. If the income is not qualifying income or the issuer of the options is not appropriately the referenced asset or the issuers of the securities underlying the index, the Fund could lose its own status as a RIC.

Each Fund intends to treat the income it derives from gains on options referencing the Bitcoin ETPs, Spot Ether ETPs and Bitcoin ETP Indexes as "qualifying income" for purposes of the RIC qualification rules under Subchapter M of the Code. It has adopted this position in reliance on an opinion obtained from counsel that income from such investments should constitute "qualifying income," as the Bitcoin ETPs, Spot Ether ETPs and Bitcoin ETP Indexes referenced by the options constitute "securities" under Section 2(a)(36) of the 1940 Act. However, this opinion is not binding upon the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS"). If the IRS were to successfully assert that a Fund's income from such investments was not "qualifying income," a Fund may fail to qualify as a RIC under Subchapter M if over 10% of its gross income was derived from these investments. If a Fund failed to qualify as a RIC, it would be subject to federal and state income tax on all of its taxable income at regular corporate tax rates with no deduction for any distributions paid to shareholders, which would significantly adversely affect the returns to, and could cause substantial losses for, Fund shareholders.

To maintain its status as a RIC, a Fund must distribute 90% of its investment company taxable income annually. In addition, to avoid a non-deductible excise tax, the Fund must distribute 98% of its ordinary income and 98.2% of its capital gain net income. Separately, depending upon the circumstances, sales to fund redemptions could cause a Fund to recognize income that the Fund is required to distribute to maintain the Fund's RIC status and avoid the excise tax. Funding such distributions could require additional sales, which could require more distributions and affect the projected performance of a Fund. Alternatively, if a Fund only makes distributions to maintain its RIC status and becomes subject to the excise tax, that could also affect the projected performance of the Fund. In either case, the assets sold to fund redemptions, distributions or pay the excise tax will not be available to assist a Fund in meeting its investment objective.

In the event that a shareholder purchases Fund Shares shortly before a distribution by a Fund, the entire distribution may be taxable to the shareholder even though a portion of the distribution effectively represents a return of the purchase price.

Structural ETF Risks. Each Fund is an ETF. Accordingly, it is subject to certain risks associated with its unique structure.

<u>Active Market Risk</u>. Although Fund Shares are listed for trading on the Exchange, there can be no assurance that an active trading market for Fund Shares will develop or be maintained. Fund Shares trade on the Exchange at market prices that may be below, at or above the Fund's net asset value. Securities, including Fund Shares, are subject to market fluctuations and liquidity constraints that may be caused by such factors as economic, political, or regulatory developments, changes in interest rates, and/or perceived trends in securities prices. Fund Shares could decline in value or underperform other investments.

<u>Authorized Participant Concentration Risk</u>. Only an Authorized Participant may engage in creation or redemption transactions directly with the Fund, and none of those Authorized Participants is obligated to engage in creation and/or redemption transactions. The Fund has a limited number of institutions that may act as Authorized Participants on an agency basis (*i.e.*,

on behalf of other market participants). To the extent that Authorized Participants exit the business or are unable to proceed with creation or redemption orders with respect to the Fund and no other Authorized Participant is able to step forward to create or redeem, Fund Shares may be more likely to trade at a premium or discount to NAV and possibly face trading halts or delisting. Authorized Participant concentration risk may be heightened for ETFs, such as the Fund, which invest in securities issued by non-U.S. issuers or other securities or instruments that have lower trading volumes.

<u>Cash Transactions Risk.</u> Each Fund currently expects to effect a significant portion of its creations and redemptions for cash rather than in-kind securities. Paying redemption proceeds in cash rather than through in-kind delivery of portfolio securities may require a Fund to dispose of or sell portfolio securities or other assets at an inopportune time to obtain the cash needed to meet redemption orders. This may cause a Fund to sell a security and recognize a capital gain or loss that might not have been incurred if it had made a redemption in-kind. As a result, a Fund may pay out higher or lower annual capital gains distributions than ETFs that redeem in-kind. The use of cash creations and redemptions may also cause Fund Shares to trade in the market at greater bid-ask spreads or greater premiums or discounts to the Fund's NAV. Furthermore, a Fund may not be able to execute cash transactions for creation and redemption purposes at the same price used to determine the Fund's NAV. To the extent that the maximum additional charge for creation or redemption transactions is insufficient to cover the execution shortfall, a Fund's performance could be negatively impacted.

<u>Costs of Buying and Selling Fund Shares</u>. Due to the costs of buying or selling Fund Shares, including brokerage commissions imposed by brokers and bid/ask spreads, frequent trading of Fund Shares may significantly reduce investment results, and an investment in Fund Shares may not be advisable for investors who anticipate regularly making small investments.

<u>Premium/Discount Risk</u>. As with all exchange-traded funds, Fund Shares may be bought and sold in the secondary market at market prices. The trading prices of Fund Shares in the secondary market may differ from the Fund's daily net asset value per share and there may be times when the market price of the shares is more than the net asset value per share (premium) or less than the net asset value per share (discount). This risk is heightened in times of market volatility or periods of steep market declines.

U.S. Government Securities Risk. U.S. government securities are subject to interest rate risk but generally do not involve the credit risks associated with investments in other types of debt securities. As a result, the yields available from U.S. government securities are generally lower than the yields available from other debt securities. U.S. government securities are guaranteed only as to the timely payment of interest and the payment of principal when held to maturity.

Valuation Risk. The Funds may hold securities or other assets that may be valued on the basis of factors other than market quotations. This may occur because the asset or security does not trade on a centralized exchange, or in times of market turmoil or reduced liquidity. There are multiple methods that can be used to value a portfolio holding when market quotations are not readily available. The value established for any portfolio holding at a point in time might differ from what would be produced using a different methodology or if it had been priced using market quotations. Portfolio holdings that are valued using techniques other than market quotations, including "fair valued" assets or securities, may be subject to

greater fluctuation in their valuations from one day to the next than if market quotations were used. In addition, there is no assurance that a Fund could sell or close out a portfolio position for the value established for it at any time, and it is possible that a Fund would incur a loss because a portfolio position is sold or closed out at a discount to the valuation established by the Fund at that time. A Fund's ability to value investments may be impacted by technological issues or errors by pricing services or other third-party service providers.

Management of the Funds

Each Fund is a series of Bitwise Funds Trust, an investment company registered under the 1940 Act. Each Fund is treated as a separate fund with its own investment objectives and policies. The Trust is organized as a Delaware statutory trust. The Board is responsible for the overall management and direction of the Trust. The Board elects the Trust's officers and approves all significant agreements, including those with the Adviser, distributor, custodian and fund administrative and accounting agent.

<u>Investment Adviser</u>. Bitwise Investment Manager, LLC ("BIM"), 250 Montgomery Street, Suite 200, San Francisco, California 94104, serves as each Fund's investment adviser. In its capacity as Adviser, BIM manages each Fund's investments subject to the supervision of the Board. BIM also arranges for sub-advisory, transfer agency, custody, fund administration, distribution and all other services necessary for the Funds to operate. In particular, BIM provides investment and operational oversight.

<u>Portfolio Managers</u>. Jennifer Thornton, Daniela Padilla and Gayatri Choudhury are primarily and jointly responsible for the day-to-day management of the Funds.

- Jennifer Thornton, Portfolio Manager at BIM. Jennifer Thornton is Senior Index Fund Portfolio Manager at Bitwise. She is responsible for managing Bitwise's suite of crypto index products, including performance and adherence to strategy and fund guidelines. Prior to joining Bitwise in 2021, Ms. Thornton worked for BlackRock in the ETF and Index Investments (EII) Americas Portfolio Management group. Previous to this role, she was with the Transition Management team in Trading and Liquidity Strategies, providing risk managed solutions to institutional investors undergoing portfolio reorganizations in multiple asset classes. Previous to BlackRock, Ms. Thornton was a transition portfolio manager, a project manager for system implementations, and a relationship manager overseeing dealings with strategic investment service partners at Barclays Global Investors. She earned an MBA degree from San Francisco State University and a BBA degree in marketing from the University of Mississisppi.
- Daniela Padilla, Portfolio Manager at BIM. Ms. Padilla is a Portfolio Manager at Bitwise with seven years of financial services experience. Ms. Padilla joined Bitwise in 2021 in a portfolio management capacity and has four years of experience managing index funds and alternative investment portfolios at Bitwise, prior to which she gained four years of experience in financial services in operations and middle office roles at JP Morgan, BBVA Securities and Barclay Investments.
- Gayatri Choudhury, Quantitative Investment Analyst at BIM. Ms. Choudhury is a Quantitative Investment Analyst at Bitwise with five years of industry experience. She is responsible for the research, development, and portfolio management of Bitwise's suite of alpha products. Ms. Choudhury joined Bitwise in 2022 as a Quantitative Research Analyst. Prior to Bitwise, she worked

in ETF Product Development and Management at Global X and started her career as a management consultant at Sia Partners. She graduated from New York University with a B.A. in Mathematics.

For additional information concerning BIM, including a description of the services provided to the Funds, please see the Funds' SAI. Additional information regarding the portfolio managers' compensation, other accounts managed by the portfolio managers and the portfolio managers' ownership of Fund Shares may also be found in the SAI.

Management Fee

Pursuant to an investment advisory agreement between BIM and the Trust, on behalf of the Funds (the "Investment Management Agreement"), each Fund has agreed to pay an annual unitary management fee to BIM in an amount equal to 0.95% of its average daily net assets. This unitary management fee is designed to pay a Fund's expenses and to compensate BIM for the services it provides to the Fund. Out of the unitary management fee, BIM pays substantially all expenses of a Fund, including the cost of transfer agency, custody, fund administration, legal, audit and other service and license fees. However, BIM is not responsible for distribution and service fees payable pursuant to a Rule 12b-1 plan, if any, brokerage commissions and other expenses connected with the execution of portfolio transactions, taxes, interest and extraordinary expenses.

How to Buy and Sell Shares

Fund Shares are listed for secondary trading on the Exchange and individual Fund Shares may only be purchased and sold in the secondary market through a broker-dealer. The Exchange and secondary markets are closed on weekends and also are generally closed on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Presidents' Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day (observed), Juneteenth, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. The Exchange may close early on the business day before certain holidays and on the day after Thanksgiving Day. Exchange holiday schedules are subject to change without notice. If you buy or sell Fund Shares in the secondary market, you will pay the secondary market price for Fund Shares. In addition, you may incur customary brokerage commissions and charges and may pay some or all of the spread between the bid and the offered price in the secondary market on each leg of a round trip (purchase and sale) transaction.

The trading prices of Fund Shares will fluctuate continuously throughout trading hours based on market supply and demand rather than the relevant Fund's net asset value, which is calculated at the end of each business day. Fund Shares will trade on the Exchange at prices that may be above (*i.e.*, at a premium) or below (*i.e.*, at a discount), to varying degrees, the daily net asset value of Fund Shares. The trading prices of Fund Shares may deviate significantly from the Fund's net asset value during periods of market volatility. Given, however, that Fund Shares can be issued and redeemed daily in Creation Units, the Adviser believes that large discounts and premiums to net asset value should not be sustained over long periods.

Book Entry

Fund Shares are held in book-entry form, which means that no stock certificates are issued. The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") or its nominee is the record owner of, and holds legal title to, all

outstanding Fund Shares. Investors owning Fund Shares are beneficial owners as shown on the records of DTC or its participants. DTC serves as the securities depository for Fund Shares.

DTC participants include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and other institutions that directly or indirectly maintain a custodial relationship with DTC. As a beneficial owner of Fund Shares, you are not entitled to receive physical delivery of stock certificates or to have Fund Shares registered in your name, and you are not considered a registered owner of Fund Shares. Therefore, to exercise any right as an owner of Fund Shares, you must rely upon the procedures of DTC and its participants. These procedures are the same as those that apply to any other securities that you hold in book-entry or "street name" form.

Dividends, Distributions and Taxes

Ordinarily, dividends from net investment income, if any, are declared and paid at least annually by a Fund. The Fund distributes its net realized capital gains, if any, to shareholders annually.

Distributions are taxable to shareholders even if they are paid from income or gains earned by a Fund before the shareholder invested (and therefore were included in the price of the Fund Shares that were purchased). As a result, unless you are a tax-exempt investor or investing through a tax-advantaged account (such as an IRA or an employer-sponsored retirement or savings plan), if you buy Fund Shares before a distribution, you will be subject to tax on the entire amount of the taxable distribution you receive. This is known as "buying a dividend". You should consider avoiding the purchase of Fund Shares shortly before the Fund makes a distribution because doing so can cost you money in taxes. To avoid "buying a dividend," check the Fund's distribution schedule before you invest.

Distributions in cash may be reinvested automatically in additional whole Fund Shares only if the broker through whom you purchased Fund Shares makes such option available.

Taxes

This section summarizes some of the main U.S. federal income tax consequences of owning Fund Shares. This section is current as of the date of this prospectus. Tax laws and interpretations change frequently, and these summaries do not describe all of the tax consequences to all taxpayers. For example, these summaries generally do not describe your situation if you are a corporation, a non-U.S. person, a broker-dealer, or other investor with special circumstances. In addition, this section does not describe your state, local or non-U.S. tax consequences.

This federal income tax summary is based in part on the advice of counsel to the Funds. The Internal Revenue Service could disagree with any conclusions set forth in this section. In addition, counsel to the Funds may not have been asked to review and may not have reached a conclusion with respect to, the federal income tax treatment of the assets to be included in the Funds. The following disclosure may not be sufficient for you to use for the purpose of avoiding penalties under federal tax law.

As with any investment, you should seek advice based on your individual circumstances from your own tax advisor.

<u>Fund Status</u>. Each Fund intends to qualify as a "regulated investment company" under the federal tax laws. If a Fund qualifies as a regulated investment company and distributes its income as required by the tax law, the Fund generally will not pay federal income taxes.

<u>Distributions</u>. Each Fund's distributions are generally taxable. After the end of each year, you will receive a tax statement that separates the distributions of a Fund into three categories: ordinary income distributions, capital gain dividends and returns of capital. Ordinary income distributions are generally taxed at your ordinary tax rate, however, as further discussed below certain ordinary income distributions received from a Fund may be taxed at the capital gains tax rates. Generally, you will treat all capital gain dividends as long-term capital gains regardless of how long you have owned your Fund Shares.

To determine your actual tax liability for your capital gain dividends, you must calculate your total net capital gain or loss for the tax year after considering all of your other taxable transactions as described below. In addition, a Fund may make distributions that represent a return of capital for tax purposes and thus will generally not be taxable to you; however, such distributions may reduce your tax basis in your Fund Shares, which could result in you having to pay higher taxes in the future when Fund Shares are sold, even if you sell the Fund Shares at a loss from your original investment. A "return of capital" is a return, in whole or in part, of the funds that you previously invested in a Fund. A return of capital distribution should not be considered part of a Fund's dividend yield or total return of an investment in Fund Shares. The tax status of your distributions from a Fund is not affected by whether you reinvest your distributions in additional Fund Shares or receive them in cash. The income from a Fund that you must take into account for federal income tax purposes is not reduced by amounts used to pay a deferred sales fee, if any. The tax laws may require you to treat distributions made to you in January as if you had received them on December 31 of the previous year.

Income from a Fund may also be subject to a 3.8% "Medicare tax." This tax generally applies to your net investment income if your adjusted gross income exceeds certain threshold amounts, which are \$250,000 in the case of married couples filing joint returns and \$200,000 in the case of single individuals.

<u>Dividends Received Deduction</u>. A corporation that owns Fund Shares generally will not be entitled to the dividends received deduction with respect to many dividends received from a Fund because the dividends received deduction is generally not available for distributions from RICs. However, certain ordinary income dividends on Fund Shares that are attributable to qualifying dividends received by a Fund from certain corporations may be reported by the Fund as being eligible for the dividends received deduction.

<u>Capital Gains and Losses and Certain Ordinary Income Dividends</u>. If you are an individual, the maximum marginal stated federal tax rate for net capital gains is generally 20% (15% or 0% for taxpayers with taxable incomes below certain thresholds). Some capital gains, including some portion of your capital gain dividends may be taxed at a higher maximum stated tax rate. Capital gains may also be subject to the Medicare tax described above.

Net capital gain equals net long-term capital gain minus net short-term capital loss for the taxable year. Capital gain or loss is long-term if the holding period for the asset is more than one year and is short-term if the holding period for the asset is one year or less. You must exclude the date you purchase your Fund Shares to determine your holding period. However, if you receive a capital gain dividend from a Fund and sell your Fund Shares at a loss after holding them for six months or less, the loss will be

recharacterized as long-term capital loss to the extent of the capital gain dividend received. The tax rates for capital gains realized from assets held for one year or less are generally the same as for ordinary income. The Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, treats certain capital gains as ordinary income in special situations.

Ordinary income dividends received by an individual shareholder from a RIC such as a Fund are generally taxed at the same rates that apply to net capital gain (as discussed above), provided certain holding period requirements are satisfied and provided the dividends are attributable to qualifying dividends received by the Fund itself. A Fund will provide notice to its shareholders of the amount of any distribution which may be taken into account as a dividend which is eligible for the capital gains tax rates.

Bitcoin ETP Options and Ether ETP Options. To the extent applicable, each Fund intends to treat the income it derives from gains on options referencing Bitcoin ETPs, Bitcoin ETP Indexes and Spot Ether ETPs as "qualifying income" for purposes of the RIC qualification rules under Subchapter M of the Code. It has adopted this position in reliance on an opinion obtained from counsel that income from such investments should constitute "qualifying income," as the Bitcoin ETPs, Bitcoin ETP Indexes and Spot Ether ETPs referenced by the options constitute "securities" under Section 2(a)(36) of the 1940 Act. However, this opinion is not binding upon the IRS. If the IRS were to successfully assert that a Fund's income from such investments was not "qualifying income," the Fund may fail to qualify as a RIC under Subchapter M if over 10% of its gross income was derived from these investments. If a Fund failed to qualify as a RIC, it would be subject to federal and state income tax on all of its taxable income at regular corporate tax rates with no deduction for any distributions paid to shareholders, which would significantly adversely affect the returns to, and could cause substantial losses for, Fund shareholders.

On November 15, 2024, the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission issued a staff advisory concluding that it is likely that the options and the interests in Bitcoin ETPs, Bitcoin ETP Indexes and Spot Ether ETPs referenced by the options would be judicially held to be a security. In 2009, the IRS adopted the position that, in determining the income and diversification tests of a RIC under Section 851 of the Code, the grantor trust rules of I.R.C. § 671, et seq, are applied before the definition of security is applied in I.R.C. § 851. In 2016, the IRS announced that it viewed determining the definition of security for the purposes of I.R.C. § 851 was more properly in the jurisdiction of the SEC. In 2023, the U.S. Supreme Court indicated that federal administrative agencies no longer needed to be given deference merely because their position was reasonable if the position of the agency is not consistent with the statute. Although the IRS has not formally announced a change in position in regard to whether the grantor trust rules are applied first, the combination of the 2016 announcement and the 2023 Supreme Court decision suggest that the best interpretation of the statute is to apply I.R.C. § 851's plain language. If the grantor trust rules are applied first in reference to Bitcoin ETPs, Bitcoin ETP Indexes or Spot Ether ETPs and the options, the options would reference bitcoin or ether, as applicable. Although the issue is not free from doubt, it is likely that bitcoin or ether would be classified as a commodity for purposes of I.R.C. § 851 and produce income that would not be qualifying income under the RIC tests. However, under the plain language of the statute, gains from securities (as determined under the 1940 Act) are qualifying income. Options on publicly traded grantor trusts are securities for the purposes of the 1940 Act.

Additionally, Bitcoin ETP Options and Ether ETP Options may be deemed to be Section 1256 contracts pursuant to the Code. To the extent that a Fund invests in Bitcoin ETP Options or Ether ETP Options

that are categorized as Section 1256 contracts, the Fund will be required to recognize gains and losses from such instruments on a mark-to-market basis and treat 60% of any gain or loss as long-term and 40% as short-term, regardless of the holding period. To more accurately allocate these gains and other taxable income or loss among shareholders, a Fund may use an accounting practice known as "equalization." By using equalization accounting, a Fund seeks to reduce the amount of its taxable income and capital gains that are required to be distributed to shareholders by accounting for a portion of the proceeds from sales of Fund Shares as attributable to undistributed net investment income and realized capital gains. This practice is intended to ensure that such income and gains are distributed only to those shareholders who have actually economically earned them. There is no assurance that a Fund will use equalization in any given taxable year, and the use of equalization will not affect a shareholder's aggregate tax liability. Such Fund will be required to distribution substantially all of its net short term capital gain and will either distribute its net long term capital gain or notify the shareholders that the Fund is electing to pay tax on its long-term capital gains but that the shareholders will be required to include the long-term capital gains in income.

<u>Sale of Fund Shares</u>. If you sell or redeem your Fund Shares, you will generally recognize a taxable gain or loss. To determine the amount of this gain or loss, you must subtract your tax basis in your Fund Shares from the amount you receive in the transaction. Your tax basis in your Fund Shares is generally equal to the cost of your Fund Shares, generally including brokerage fees, if any. In some cases, however, you may have to adjust your tax basis after you purchase your Fund Shares. An election may be available to you to defer recognition of capital gain if you make certain qualifying investments within a limited time. You should talk to your tax advisor about the availability of this deferral election and its requirements.

Taxes on Purchase and Redemption of Creation Units. If you exchange securities for Creation Units, you will generally recognize a gain or a loss. The gain or loss will be equal to the difference between the market value of the Creation Units at the time and your aggregate basis in the securities surrendered and the cash component paid. If you exchange Creation Units for securities, you will generally recognize a gain or loss equal to the difference between your basis in the Creation Units and the aggregate market value of the securities received and the cash redemption amount. The IRS, however, may assert that a loss realized upon an exchange of securities for Creation Units or Creation Units for securities cannot be deducted currently under the rules governing "wash sales," or on the basis that there has been no significant change in economic position.

<u>Treatment of Expenses</u>. Expenses incurred and deducted by a Fund will generally not be treated as income taxable to you.

Non-U.S. Investors. If you are a non-U.S. investor (*i.e.*, an investor other than a U.S. citizen or resident or a U.S. corporation, partnership, estate or trust), you should be aware that, generally, subject to applicable tax treaties, distributions from a Fund are characterized as dividends for federal income tax purposes (other than dividends which a Fund properly reports as capital gain dividends) are subject to U.S. federal income taxes, including withholding taxes, subject to certain exceptions described below. However, distributions received by a non-U.S. investor from a Fund that are properly reported by the Fund as capital gain dividends may not be subject to U.S. federal income taxes, including withholding taxes, provided that a Fund makes certain elections and certain other conditions are met. Distributions from a Fund that are properly reported by the Fund as an interest-related dividend attributable to certain interest income received by a Fund or as short-term capital gain income dividend attributable to certain

net short term capital gain received by a Fund may not be subject to U.S. federal income taxes, including withholding taxes when received by certain non-U.S. investors, provided that a Fund makes certain elections and certain other conditions are met. For tax years after December 31, 2022, amounts paid to or recognized by a non-U.S. affiliate that are excluded from tax under the portfolio interest, capital gain dividends, short-term capital gains or tax-exempt interest dividend exceptions or applicable treaties may be taken into consideration in determining whether a corporation is an "applicable corporation" subject to a 15% minimum tax on adjusted financial statement income.

Distributions may be subject to a U.S. withholding tax of 30% in the case of distributions to (i) certain non-U.S. financial institutions that have not entered into an agreement with the U.S. Treasury to collect and disclose certain information and are not resident in a jurisdiction that has entered into such an agreement with the U.S. Treasury and (ii) certain other non-U.S. entities that do not provide certain certifications and information about the entity's U.S. owners. This withholding tax is also currently scheduled to apply to the gross proceeds from the disposition of securities that produce U.S. source interest or dividends. However, proposed regulations may eliminate the requirement to withhold on payments of gross proceeds from dispositions.

It is the responsibility of the entity through which you hold your Fund Shares to determine the applicable withholding.

The foregoing discussion summarizes some of the possible consequences under current federal tax law of an investment in the Funds. It is not a substitute for personal tax advice. You also may be subject to state and local taxes on Fund distributions and sales of Fund Shares.

Distributor

Foreside Fund Services, LLC serves as the distributor of Creation Units for the Funds on an agency basis. The Distributor does not maintain a secondary market in Fund Shares.

Net Asset Value

The NAV of each Fund normally is determined once daily Monday through Friday, generally as of the close of regular trading hours of the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") (normally 4:00 p.m., Eastern time) on each day that the NYSE is open for trading, based on prices at the time of closing, provided that any Fund assets or liabilities denominated in currencies other than the U.S. dollar are translated into U.S. dollars at the prevailing market rates on the date of valuation as quoted by one or more data service providers. The NAV of a Fund is calculated by dividing the value of the net assets of the Fund (*i.e.*, the value of its total assets less total liabilities) by the total number of outstanding Fund Shares, generally rounded to the nearest cent. The value of the securities and other assets and liabilities held by a Fund is determined pursuant to valuation policies and procedures approved by the Board.

The Fund's investments will be valued daily at market value or, in the absence of market value with respect to any securities or options contracts, at fair value in accordance with valuation procedures adopted by the Board and in accordance with the 1940 Act. Market value prices represent last sale or official closing prices from a national or foreign exchange (*i.e.*, a regulated market) and are primarily obtained from third-party pricing services.

When market quotations are not readily available or are believed by the Adviser to be unreliable, a Fund's investments are valued at fair value. Fair value determinations are made by the Adviser in accordance with policies and procedures approved by the Board. The Adviser may conclude that a market quotation is not readily available or is unreliable if a security or other asset or liability does not have a price source due to its lack of trading or other reasons, if a market quotation differs significantly from recent price quotations or otherwise no longer appears to reflect fair value, where the security or other asset or liability is thinly traded, when there is a significant event subsequent to the most recent market quotation, or if the trading market on which a security is listed is suspended or closed and no appropriate alternative trading market is available.

For certain non-U.S. assets, a third-party vendor supplies evaluated, systematic fair value pricing based upon the movement of a proprietary multi-factor model after the relevant non-U.S. markets have closed. This systematic fair value pricing methodology is designed to correlate the prices of foreign assets in one or more non-U.S. markets following the close of the local markets to the prices that might have prevailed as of the Fund's pricing time.

Fair value represents a good faith approximation of the value of an asset or liability. The fair value of an asset or liability held by a Fund is the amount the Fund might reasonably expect to receive from the current sale of that asset or the cost to extinguish that liability in an arm's-length transaction. Valuing a Fund's investments using fair value pricing will result in prices that may differ from current market valuations and that may not be the prices at which those investments could have been sold during the period in which the particular fair values were used.

Fund Service Providers

The Bank of New York Mellon ("BNY Mellon"), located at 240 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10286, serves as each Fund's administrator, custodian and transfer agent. BNY Mellon is the principal operating subsidiary of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation.

Chapman and Cutler LLP, 320 South Canal Street, Chicago, Illinois 60606, serves as legal counsel to the Trust.

KPMG LLP, 345 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10154, serves as each Fund's independent registered public accounting firm and is responsible for auditing the annual financial statements of the Funds.

Premium/Discount Information

Information showing the number of days the market price of the Fund Shares was greater (at a premium) and less (at a discount) than each Fund's NAV for the most recently completed calendar year, and the most recently completed calendar quarters since that year (or the life of a Fund, if shorter), is available at https://www.ibtbetf.com (for Bitwise Bitcoin Option Income Strategy ETF), https://www.ibqetf.com (for Bitwise BITQ Option Income Strategy ETF) or https://www.iethetf.com (for Bitwise Ethereum Option Income Strategy ETF).

Investments by Other Investment Companies

Section 12(d)(1) of the 1940 Act restricts investments by investment companies in the securities of other investment companies, including Fund Shares. Each Fund is required to comply with the conditions of

Rule 12d1-4 under the 1940 Act, which allows, subject to certain conditions, the Fund to invest in other registered investment companies and other registered investment companies to invest in the Fund beyond the limits contained in Section 12(d)(1) of the 1940 Act.

Financial Highlights

The Funds are new and have no performance history as of the date of this prospectus. Financial information is therefore not available.

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Bitwise Bitcoin Option Income Strategy ETF (IBTB) Bitwise BITQ Option Income Strategy ETF (IBQ) Bitwise Ethereum Option Income Strategy ETF (IETH)

For more detailed information on the Funds, several additional sources of information are available to you. The Funds' SAI, incorporated by reference into this prospectus, contains detailed information on the Funds' policies and operation. Additional information about a Fund's investments is available in the annual and semi-annual reports to shareholders. In a Fund's annual reports, you will find a discussion of the market conditions and investment strategies that significantly impacted the Fund's performance during the last fiscal year. A Fund's most recent SAI, annual or semi-annual reports and certain other information are available free of charge by calling the Funds at (415) 707-3663 and on the Fund's website at https://www.ibtbetf.com (for Bitwise Bitcoin Option Income Strategy ETF), https://www.ibqetf.com (for Bitwise BITQ Option Income Strategy ETF) or https://www.iethetf.com (for Bitwise Ethereum Option Income Strategy ETF), or through your financial advisor. Shareholders may call the number above with any inquiries.

You may obtain this and other information regarding the Funds, including the SAI and Codes of Ethics adopted by the Adviser, Distributor and the Trust, directly from the SEC. Information on the SEC's website is free of charge. Visit the SEC's online EDGAR database at http://www.sec.gov. You may also request information regarding the Funds by sending a request (along with a duplication fee) to the SEC by sending an electronic request to publicinfo@sec.gov.

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