

December 2023 Newsletter

Hard to believe that 2023 will be over in a few days!

It has been a volatile year in the markets, with high inflation and interest rates, big market swings, the introduction of AI, geopolitical tensions and multiple bank failures. However, with all the economic noise, the Q4 stock market rally has been one for the record books.

In the latest FOMC announcement, the Federal Reserve left rates unchanged, remarked that it was unlikely rates would be going up any further, and forecast 3 rate cuts next year vs. their previous estimate of just 2. Everything the Fed said struck a bullish tone with the stock and bond markets.

The big debate now and likely early next year will be on when the rate cuts start. The consensus going into the Feds announcement was that rate cuts wouldn't start until May at the earliest. But after last week's dovish stance by the Fed, many are expecting those cuts to begin in March or possibly earlier.

The rate hike cycle appears over. The pivot to rate cuts is coming. While there might be an increased possibility of a soft landing, things can change quickly and there is still more data to come in the first quarter of 2024. I am looking forward to connecting with you in the new year!

Warmest wishes for a happy and healthy New Year!

Thank you, Peter



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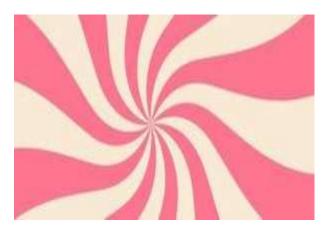
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