Q12026 Market Themes to Watch

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As investment committees chart their course for 2026, three powerful market themes have emerged: surging electricity demand fueled by the electrification of everything, a Federal Reserve (Fed) easing cycle and a weakening US dollar. Strategies aligned with these themes can unlock new sources of diversification and reduce dependence on a narrow band of mega-cap growth stocks—potentially positioning portfolios for resilience and opportunity in the year ahead.

Electrification of Everything

Artificial intelligence (AI) is driving a surge in power demand—one that will require years of investment in grids, transmission systems, energy infrastructure and critical materials. At the same time, consumer products, supply chain reshoring and automation are competing for the same limited energy resources. Now is the time to look beyond the headline names in AI, robotics and semiconductors and seek growth in the companies building and supplying the infrastructure behind this demand.

ELFY ALPS Electrification Infrastructure ETF	Targets growth in large- and mid-cap companies modernizing the power grid to meet rising electricity demand from Al data centers and the shift to electrification. Includes holdings across five sectors and 18 industries.
ENFR Alerian Energy Infrastructure ETF AMLP Alerian MLP ETF	Delivers income-focused exposure to North American pipelines and storage assets that transport, store and process the energy needed to power an increasingly electrified economy.
CCNR ALPS CoreCommodity Natural Resources ETF	Provides global exposure to resource producers supplying metals, energy and materials critical for long-term power demand and infrastructure expansion.
ACES ALPS Clean Energy ETF	Offers a diversified basket of North American clean energy companies, spanning energy storage, solar and transportation solutions driving the transition of the power economy.

Fed Easing

As the Fed lowers rates and cash yields decline, investors need to intentionally position for income and future returns. Active, quality-focused strategies can help navigate interest rate and market volatility, preserve capital and capture opportunities across bonds and equities.

SMTH ALPS Smith Core Plus Bond ETF	Actively managed core-plus bond strategy seeking above-average total return through income and capital appreciation, with flexibility across Treasuries, corporates and securitized credit.
OUSM ALPS O'Shares U.S. Small-Cap Quality Dividend ETF	Quality-screened, dividend-paying small-cap portfolio designed with lower volatility and less severe drawdowns compared to the broader, largely unprofitable small-cap universe.
EQL ALPS Equal Sector Weight ETF	Equal sector weight S&P 500 strategy built to reduce mega-cap concentration while capturing potential upside from market broadening across all sectors during the easing cycle.

Dollar Weakening

A weaker dollar historically benefits non-US stocks and dollar-priced commodities. Investors can leverage this trend to diversify beyond US markets, add real asset exposure and reduce reliance on a single currency and economy.

SDCI USCF SummerHaven Dynamic Commodity Strategy No K-1 Fund	Dynamic commodities strategy designed to benefit from dollar weakness and stubborn inflation, rebalanced monthly toward commodities with stronger relative technicals.
IDOG ALPS International Sector Dividend Dogs ETF	High-dividend-paying, deep-value exposure to developed ex-US stocks, equal-weighted across sectors, targeting diversified income and potential upside from foreign currency appreciation.
REIT ALPS Active REIT ETF	Actively managed, high-conviction portfolio of real estate investment trusts (REITs) run by an experienced team, offering exposure to diverse property sectors with unique real asset characteristics and diversification benefits.



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The ALPS Electrification Infrastructure ETF (ELFY) is new and has limited operating history.

Diversification does not eliminate the risk of experiencing investment losses.

Risks of investing in companies that are involved in conventional and alternative electricity generation, transmission, and distribution and technological solutions, as well as the development of grid infrastructure and smart grid technologies, include the general state of the economy, intense competition, consolidation, domestic and international politics and excess capacity. Investing in securities of medium capitalization companies involves greater risk than customarily is associated with investing in larger, more established companies. The securities of large capitalization companies may underperform other segments of the equity market or the equity market as a whole. Funds focusing on a single sector generally experience greater price volatility. Investments in securities of Master Limited Partnerships (MLPs) involve risks that differ from an investment in common stock. MLPs are controlled by their general partners, which generally have conflicts of interest and limited fiduciary duties to the MLP, which may permit the general partner to favor its own interests over the MLPs. Commodities and futures generally are volatile and are not appropriate for all investors. Obsolescence of existing technology, short product cycles, falling prices and profits, competition from new market entrants and general economic conditions can significantly affect companies in the clean energy sector. In addition, intense competition and legislation resulting in more strict government regulations and enforcement policies and specific expenditures for cleanup efforts can significantly affect the clean energy sector. Investments in fixed-income securities and positions in fixed-income derivatives may decline in value because of changes in interest rates. The securities of small capitalization companies are often more volatile and less liquid than the stocks of larger companies and may be more affected than other types of securities during market downturns. Investments in non-US issuers may involve unique risks compared to investin

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