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Unemployment: Jobless numbers were basically in line with expectations this week. Initial Jobless claims fell from 215K to 213K. Continuing Jobless claims rose slightly from 1,898K to 1907K.



Consumer Goods & Materials: The Core PCE Price Index (YoY) (Oct) ticked up to 2.8%. The month-over-month reading stayed steady at 0.3%. This is the Federal Reserve's preferred measure of inflation.



Retail Sales: Retail sales were slightly higher than expected during the month of October (MoM), coming in at 0.4%.



Housing and Building: Pending home sales rose 2.0% (MoM) (Oct), beating expectations. This number represents homes under contract that haven't yet closed.



Yield Curve: 2-year yields ended the week lower, decreasing from 4.37% to 4.13%. 10-year yields fell sharply from 4.41% to 4.18%. Prices & rates move in opposite directions.



M2 Money Stock: The money supply, including time deposits, rose \$4B to \$21.22T (Sep). Money supply is running at 73% of current GDP.



Manufacturing & Services: ISM Non-Manufacturing (Services) PMI increased further into expansion territory to 56.0 (Oct) from 54.9 in September.



S&P 500: The S&P 500 rose 63.04 points, closing at 6,032.38 (up 26.47% YTD). Market volatility, as measured by The CBOE Volatility Index (VIX), dropped from 16.45 to 15.25 this week.



U. of Michigan Consumer Sentiment: Michigan Consumer Sentiment increased to 71.8 (Nov) from 70.5 (Oct), though the rise was less than expected.

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