

WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
October 17, 2018

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

Current Report  
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 17, 2018

WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORPORATION  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Illinois                                      001-35077      36-3873352  
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer  
of Incorporation)                      File Number) Identification No.)

9700 W. Higgins Road, Suite 800                      60018  
Rosemont, Illinois  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)  
Registrant's telephone number, including area code (847) 939-9000  
Not Applicable  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last year)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company     

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

The information in this Current Report is being furnished and shall not be deemed “filed” for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in this Current Report shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

On October 17, 2018, Wintrust Financial Corporation (the “Company”) announced earnings for the third quarter of 2018. A copy of the press release relating to the Company’s earnings results is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. Certain supplemental information relating to non-GAAP financial measures reported in the attached press release is included on pages 10 through 11 of Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit

99.1 Third Quarter 2018 Earnings Release dated October 17, 2018

Signature

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORPORATION  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ David L. Stoehr  
David L. Stoehr  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

Date: October 17, 2018

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