

UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS INC  
Form 8-K  
August 17, 2017

**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): August 17, 2017

**UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Georgia                                      No. 001-35095                                      No. 58-1807304  
(State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer  
incorporation)                                      Identification No.)  
125 Highway 515 East  
Blairsville, Georgia 30512  
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:  
(706) 781-2265

Not applicable  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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.

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))

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On August 17, 2017, United Community Banks, Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing that Lynn Harton, the Company’s president, has been named chief executive officer along with his current title as president of the Company’s wholly-owned subsidiary, United Community Bank. Jimmy C. Tallent will continue to serve as chairman and chief executive officer of the Company, as well as chairman of United Community Bank.

A copy of the Company’s press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

**Exhibit No. Description**

99.1 Press release dated August 17, 2017

**SIGNATURES**

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

**UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS,  
INC.**

By: /s/ Jefferson L. Harralson  
Name: Jefferson L. Harralson  
Title: Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

Date: August 17, 2017

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