CHEMICAL FINANCIAL CORP Form 8-K April 23, 2019

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): April 23, 2019

Chemical Financial Corporation (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Michigan 000-08185 38-2022454 (State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

333 W. Fort Street, Suite 1800

Detroit, Michigan 48226 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (800) 867-9757

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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

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. o

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 23, 2019, Chemical Financial Corporation ("Chemical") issued the press release attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K, which is here incorporated by reference. A copy of the presentation slides which will be discussed in Chemical's webcast earnings call are also attached as Exhibit 99.2 to this Form 8-K. This Report and the Exhibits are furnished to, and not filed with, the Commission.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On April 23, 2019, the Board of Directors of Chemical Financial Corporation declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.34 per share to be paid on June 21, 2019 to our shareholders of record on June 7, 2019.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits:

99.1 Press Release dated April 23, 2019. This Exhibit is furnished to, and not filed with, the Commission.

99.2 Earnings Presentation Slides. This Exhibit is furnished to, and not filed with, the Commission.

SIGNATURES

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.

Dated: April 23, 2019 CHEMICAL FINANCIAL CORPORATION (Registrant)

/s/ Dennis L. Klaeser Dennis L. Klaeser Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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