MERCANTILE BANK CORP Form 8-K April 19, 2016 UNITED STATES

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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 19, 2016

Mercantile Bank Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Michigan000-2671938-3360865(State or other jurisdiction (Commission File (IRS Employer of incorporation)Number)Identification Number)

| Michigan | 49504 (Zip Code) |
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| Registrant's telephone number, including area | a code 616-406-3000 |
| Check the appropriate box below if the Form the registrant under any of the following prov | 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of visions (<i>see</i> General Instruction A.2. below): |
| Written communications pursuant to Rule | 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) |
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| Pre-commencement communications pursu | uant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)) |
| Pre-commencement communications pursu | uant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) |
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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

Earnings Release. On April 19, 2016, Mercantile Bank Corporation issued a press release announcing earnings and other financial results for the quarter ended March 31, 2016. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and incorporated here by reference.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, and shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

| <u>Exhibit</u> | Description |
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| Number | Description |

Press release of Mercantile Bank Corporation reporting financial results and earnings for the quarter ended March 31, 2016.

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.

Mercantile Bank Corporation

By: /s/ Charles E. Christmas

Charles E. Christmas

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

Date: April 19, 2016

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