## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## 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 24, 2018

#### UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<u>Georgia</u> (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

provisions:

No. 001-35095 (Commission File Number) No. 58-180-7304 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

125 Highway 515 East <u>Blairsville, Georgia 30512</u> (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)

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	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))
	by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§240.405 of this chapter) 2b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).
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	rging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or nancial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

#### Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 24, 2018, United Community Banks, Inc. (the "Registrant") issued a news release announcing its financial results for the quarter ended March 31, 2018 (the "News Release"). The News Release, including financial schedules, is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference. In connection with issuing the News Release, on April 25, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. ET, the Registrant intends to hold a conference call/webcast to discuss the News Release. In addition to the News Release, during the conference call the Registrant intends to discuss certain financial information contained in the First Quarter 2018 Investor Presentation (the "Investor Presentation"), which was posted to the Registrant's website at www.ucbi.com on April 24, 2018. The Investor Presentation is attached as Exhibit 99.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

The presentation of the Registrant's financial information contains financial information determined by methods other than in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, or GAAP. The financial information includes certain operating performance measures, which exclude merger-related and other charges that are not considered part of recurring operations, such as "operating net income," "operating net income per diluted share," "operating earnings per diluted share," "tangible book value per common share," "operating return on common equity," "operating return on tangible common equity," "operating return on assets," "operating dividend payout ratio," "operating efficiency ratio," "average tangible equity to average assets," "average tangible common equity to average assets." These non-GAAP measures are included because Management believes they may provide useful supplemental information for evaluating Management's underlying performance trends. These measures should be viewed in addition to, and not as an alternative to or substitute for, measures determined in accordance with GAAP, and are not necessarily comparable to non-GAAP measures that may be presented by other companies. To the extent applicable, reconciliations of these non-GAAP measures to the most directly comparable measures as reported in accordance with GAAP are included in the News Release and the Investor Presentation attached as Exhibit 99.1 and Exhibit 99.2, respectively, to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 9.01	Financial Statements and Exhibits.
(d)	Exhibits
Exhibit No.	Description
<u>99.1</u>	News Release, dated April 24, 2018
99.2	Investor Presentation, First Quarter 2018

#### **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.

#### UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS, INC.

By: /s/ Jefferson L. Harralson

Jefferson L. Harralson Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: April 24, 2018



#### For Immediate Release

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#### UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS, INC. ANNOUNCES FIRST QUARTER EARNINGS

Earnings per diluted share up 42 percent to 47 cents from first quarter 2017 Excluding merger-related and other non-operating charges, diluted operating earnings per share up 28 percent, to 50 cents

- Return on assets of 1.26 percent, or 1.33 percent excluding merger-related and other charges
- Return on common equity of 11.1 percent, return on tangible common equity of 15.3 percent excluding merger-related and other charges
- Net interest revenue of \$103.3 million, up \$19.7 million or 24 percent from year ago
- Net interest margin of 3.80 percent, up 17 basis points from fourth quarter 2017 and up 35 basis points from year ago
- Efficiency ratio of 57.8 percent, or 55.8 percent excluding merger-related and other charges
- Completed the acquisition of Navitas Credit Corp. during the quarter

BLAIRSVILLE, GA – April 24, 2018 – United Community Banks, Inc. (NASDAQ: UCBI) ("United") today announced its first quarter 2018 financial results reflecting solid margin improvement, effective and disciplined expense management, an acceleration of loan growth and the continuation of sound credit quality. Net income was \$37.7 million, or 47 cents per diluted share, compared with \$23.5 million, or 33 cents per diluted share, for the first quarter of 2017.

On an operating basis, net income rose to \$39.7 million for the first quarter of 2018 compared with \$28.2 million for the first quarter of 2017. First quarter 2018 operating net income excludes pre-tax merger-related charges totaling \$2.50 million and pre-tax charges related to branch closures completed during the quarter of \$147,000. The income tax benefit from these non-operating charges was \$628,000. First quarter 2017 operating net income excludes pre-tax merger-related charges of \$1.17 million and pre-tax charges related to branch closures of \$831,000. The income tax benefit associated with the charges was \$758,000. Also excluded from first quarter 2017 operating earnings is a non-cash tax charge of \$3.4 million related to the cancellation of interest rate swaps that were designated as cash flow hedges. The non-cash tax charge was previously included in other comprehensive income until the swaps matured or were canceled.

At March 31, 2018, preliminary regulatory capital ratios were as follows: Tier 1 Risk-Based of 11.7 percent; Total Risk-Based of 13.6 percent; Common Equity Tier 1 Risk-Based of 11.3 percent, and Tier 1 Leverage of 9.1 percent.

"Our first quarter earnings are a strong start to what we expect will be another exceptional year for United Community Banks, Inc.," said Jimmy Tallent, chairman and chief executive officer. "Our bankers excelled in nearly every financial measure, reporting solid improvement in return on assets, return on tangible common equity, operating efficiency and more. Operating return on assets was 1.33% for the first quarter, up 23 basis points from fourth quarter and only seven basis points from our goal of 1.40%. Our operating efficiency ratio was 55.7%, our best ever, which is a credit to our bankers who work hard to provide the best customer service in an efficient and cost-effective manner."

Tallent continued, "In the first quarter, we not only announced a merger with NLFC Holdings Corp. and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Navitas Credit Corp., but we completed the merger on February 1. With headquarters in Ponte Vedra, Florida, Navitas is a premier specialty lender providing equipment finance services to small and medium-sized businesses nationwide that will continue to operate under the Navitas name. This fast-growing company is a solid strategic addition to our existing specialty and commercial lending businesses and enables us to further expand our client offerings. This partnership brings exceptional growth and a significant profitability enhancement to United and is a solid win for both of us. I am excited to welcome this talented team of industry veterans to United Community Bank.

"First quarter loan production was \$665.8 million with \$427 million originating from our community banks and \$238 million from our Commercial Banking Solutions group, which now includes our newly acquired Navitas subsidiary," Tallent added. "Linked-quarter loans were up \$448 million, mostly reflecting the \$379 million in net loans received through our acquisition of Navitas. Our indirect auto loan portfolio was down \$42.3 million from fourth quarter, reflecting our decision to suspend indirect auto loan purchases. Excluding the reduction in indirect auto loans and the loans acquired through the Navitas acquisition, loan growth was up at an annualized rate of approximately 6 percent from the fourth quarter."

First quarter net interest revenue totaled \$103.3 million, up \$19.7 million from the first quarter of 2017 and up \$5.78 million from the fourth quarter of 2017. The increases from both periods reflect acquisitions, business growth and net interest margin expansions of 35 basis points from a year ago and 17 basis points from the fourth quarter of 2017. Rising short-term interest rates and the acquisitions of Four Oaks Bank & Trust Company on November 1, 2017, and Navitas on February 1, 2018 contributed to the linked quarter net interest margin expansion as well as the increase in net interest revenue. The acquisition of Horry County State Bank on July 31, 2017 also contributed to the increase from a year ago. Acquired company results are included in United's financial results beginning on their respective acquisition dates.

The first quarter provision for credit losses was \$3.8 million compared to net charge-offs of \$1.5 million. Included in the first quarter provision for credit losses was \$2.3 million resulting from including Navitas' loans and leases in our allowance for loan and lease losses model. Because Navitas' loans and leases were recorded at a net premium of approximately \$5.62 million, the allowance for loan and lease losses model required us to establish an allowance sufficient to cover credit losses inherent in the Navitas portfolio. This additional provision related to the Navitas loans and leases is in addition to \$3.9 million of non-accretable discount included in the fair value mark on Navitas' acquired loans and leases providing a conservative \$6.2 million of loss absorbing capacity on the acquired Navitas portfolio.

As mentioned, first quarter net charge-offs totaled \$1.5 million, down from \$1.7 million in the first quarter of 2017 and up \$440,000 from the fourth quarter of 2017. Contributing to the low level of net charge-offs were continued strong recoveries of previously charged-off loans. Nonperforming assets were 0.24 percent of total assets at March 31, 2018, compared with 0.23 percent at both December 31, 2017 and March 31, 2017.

"Credit quality remains strong and steady as indicated by the low level of net charge-offs," Tallent commented. "Our credit quality indicators show no indication of credit deterioration and our outlook is for that to continue. Although our first quarter provision was elevated due to the acquisition of Navitas, we expect our provision levels to return to the range of our more recent quarterly experience with gradual increases each quarter due to loan growth. We expect our allowance and the related ratio to total loans may continue to decline slightly."

First quarter fee revenue totaled \$22.4 million, up \$322,000 from a year ago and \$468,000 from the fourth quarter of 2017. Included in first quarter 2018 fee revenue are \$940,000 in losses from securities sales. The securities losses were part of a larger balance sheet management strategy that included the cancellation of \$289 million notional in interest rate caps as well as the partial cancellation of other hedging instruments. The derivative cancellations resulted in gains of \$1.16 million, which are included in other fee revenue. The securities losses and gains from derivative activities are mostly offsetting.

Mortgage fees were up \$935,000 from a year ago and \$474,000 from the fourth quarter of 2017, reflecting strong origination and rate lock activity as well as a favorable mark on our mortgage servicing asset. In the first quarter we closed 799 loans totaling \$191 million compared with 795 loans totaling \$197 million in the fourth quarter and 697 loans totaling \$151 million in the first quarter of 2017.

Operating expenses were \$73.5 million for the first quarter, compared with \$62.8 million for the first quarter of 2017 and \$75.9 million for the fourth quarter. Included in the first quarter's operating expenses are \$2.65 million in merger-related and branch closure expenses. We also had merger-related and branch closure charges of \$2.05 million in the first quarter of 2017, and \$7.36 million in merger-related expenses in the fourth quarter of 2017. Excluding these charges, first quarter operating expenses were \$70.8 million compared with \$68.5 million for the fourth quarter and \$60.8 million a year ago. The increases from a year ago and from the fourth quarter of 2017 primarily result from the acquisitions of Navitas on February 1, 2018, Four Oaks Bank & Trust Company on November 1, 2017 and Horry County State Bank on July 31, 2017. Operating expenses of acquired companies are included in United's consolidated operating expenses beginning on their respective acquisition dates.

Tallent concluded, "As our first quarter financial results demonstrate, we are off to a great start for 2018. United Community Banks operates in some of the most attractive markets in the United States, has an extraordinarily talented management team and the best bankers in the business. I could not be more confident in the future of this company and I eagerly anticipate the successes that will be achieved in the quarters ahead. Every day our bankers demonstrate their passion and commitment which drive our performance and ensure our success. This is a legacy I take great pride in."

#### Conference Call

United will hold a conference call, Wednesday, April 25, 2018, at 11 a.m. ET to discuss the contents of this press release and to share business highlights for the quarter. To access the call, dial (877) 380-5665 and use the conference number 8494547. The conference call also will be webcast and available for replay for 30 days by selecting "Events & Presentations" within the Investor Relations section of United's website at www.ucbi.com.

#### About United Community Banks, Inc.

United Community Banks, Inc. (NASDAQ: UCBI) is a bank holding company based in Blairsville, Georgia with \$12.3 billion in assets. The company's banking subsidiary, United Community Bank, is one of the southeast region's largest full-service banks, operating 151 offices in Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee. The bank specializes in personalized community banking services for individuals, small businesses and corporations. Services include a full range of consumer and commercial banking products including mortgage, advisory, and treasury management. Respected national research firms consistently recognize United Community Bank for outstanding customer service. For the last four years, J.D. Power has ranked United Community Bank first in customer satisfaction in the Southeast. In 2018, for the fifth consecutive year, *Forbes* magazine included United on its list of the 100 Best Banks in America. Additional information about the company and the bank's full range of products and services can be found at www.ucbi.com.

#### Non-GAAP Financial Measures

This press release, including the accompanying financial statement tables, contains financial information determined by methods other than in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, or GAAP. This financial information includes certain operating performance measures, which exclude merger-related and other charges that are not considered part of recurring operations, such as "operating net income," "operating net income per diluted share," "operating earnings per diluted share," "tangible book value per common share," "operating return on common equity," "operating return on assets," "operating dividend payout ratio," "operating efficiency ratio," "average tangible equity to average assets," "average tangible common equity to average assets" and "tangible common equity to risk-weighted assets." These non-GAAP measures are included because United believes they may provide useful supplemental information for evaluating United's underlying performance trends. These measures should be viewed in addition to, and not as an alternative to or substitute for, measures determined in accordance with GAAP, and are not necessarily comparable to non-GAAP measures that may be presented by other companies. To the extent applicable, reconciliations of these non-GAAP measures to the most directly comparable measures as reported in accordance with GAAP are included with the accompanying financial statement tables.

#### Caution About Forward-Looking Statements

Certain Statements in this press release may constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements are statements that include projections, predictions, expectations, or beliefs about future events or results or otherwise and are not statements of historical fact. Such statements are often characterized by the use of qualified words (and their derivatives) such as "may," "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "will," "should," "plan," "estimate," "predict," "continue" and "potential" or the negative of these terms or words of similar meaning or other statements concerning opinions or judgments of United and its management about future events. Although United believes that its expectations with respect to forward-looking statements are based upon reasonable assumptions within the bounds of its existing knowledge of its business and operations, there can be no assurance that actual results, performance, or achievements of United will not differ materially from any future results, performance, or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements; such statements are not guarantees of future performance. Forward-looking statements are subject to numerous assumptions, risks and uncertainties that change over time and could cause actual results or financial condition to differ materially from those expressed in or implied by such statements. Actual future results and trends may differ materially from historical results and or those anticipated depending on a variety of factors, including, but not limited to the factors and risk influences contained in the cautionary language included under the headings "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and "Risk Factors" in United's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 and other periodic reports subsequently filed by United with the SEC, available on the SEC website, www.sec.gov. For any forward-looking state

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Financial Highlights	
<b>Selected Financial Informat</b>	ion

		2018				20	17				First Quarter
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(in thousands, except per share data)	(	Quarter	(	Quarter	(	Quarter	(	Quarter	(	() () () () () () () () () () () () () (	Change
INCOME SUMMARY											
Interest revenue	\$	115,290	\$	106,757	\$	98,839	\$	93,166	\$	90,958	
Interest expense		12,005		9,249		9,064		8,018		7,404	
Net interest revenue		103,285		97,508		89,775		85,148		83,554	24%
Provision for credit losses		3,800		1,200		1,000		800		800	4
Fee revenue		22,396		21,928		20,573		23,685		22,074	1
Total revenue		121,881		118,236		109,348		108,033		104,828	16
Expenses		73,475		75,882		65,674		63,229		62,826	17
Income before income tax expense		48,406		42,354		43,674		44,804		42,002	15
Income tax expense		10,748		54,270		15,728		16,537		18,478	(42)
Net income		37,658		(11,916)		27,946		28,267		23,524	60
Merger-related and other charges		2,646		7,358		3,420		1,830		2,054	
Income tax benefit of merger-related and other charges Impact of remeasurement of deferred tax asset resulting		(628)		(1,165)		(1,147)		(675)		(758)	
from 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act		_		38,199		_		_		_	
Release of disproportionate tax effects lodged in OCI		_		50,155		_		_		3,400	
Net income - operating <sup>(1)</sup>	œ.	20.656	ф.	22.450	œ.	20.210	ф.	20. 422	œ.		41
Net income - operating V	\$	39,676	\$	32,476	\$	30,219	\$	29,422	\$	28,220	41
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PERFORMANCE MEASURES											
Per common share: Diluted net income - GAAP	\$	.47	\$	(.16)	\$	.38	\$	.39	\$	.33	42
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Diluted net income - operating <sup>(1)</sup> Cash dividends declared		.50 .12		.42 .10		.41 .10		.41 .09		.39 .09	28 33
Book value		17.02		16.67		16.50		15.83		15.40	11
Tangible book value (3)		12.96		13.65		14.11		13.74		13.30	
rangible book value (**)		12.90		15.05		14.11		15./4		15.50	(3)
Key performance ratios:											
Return on common equity - GAAP (2)(4)		11.11%		(3.57)%	, ,	9.22%		9.98%		8.54%	
Return on common equity - operating $^{(1)(2)(4)}$		11.71	)	9.73	J	9.97	)	10.39		10.25	
		11./1		9.73		9.97		10.59		10.25	
Return on tangible common equity - operating $^{(1)(2)(3)}$ (4)		15.26		11.93		11.93		12.19		12.10	
Return on assets - GAAP <sup>(4)</sup>											
		1.26		(.40)		1.01		1.06		.89	
Return on assets - operating (1)(4)		1.33		1.10		1.09		1.10		1.07	
Dividend payout ratio - GAAP		25.53		(62.50)		26.32		23.08		27.27	
Dividend payout ratio - operating <sup>(1)</sup>		24.00		23.81		24.39		21.95		23.08	
Net interest margin (fully taxable equivalent) <sup>(4)</sup>		3.80		3.63		3.54		3.47		3.45	
Efficiency ratio - GAAP		57.83		63.03		59.27		57.89		59.29	
Efficiency ratio - operating <sup>(1)</sup>		55.75		56.92		56.18		56.21		57.35	
Average equity to average assets		11.03		11.21		10.86		10.49		10.24	
Average tangible equity to average assets (3)		8.82		9.52		9.45		9.23		8.96	
Average tangible common equity to average assets (3)		8.82		9.52		9.45		9.23		8.96	
Tangible common equity to risk-weighted assets (3)(5)		11.26		12.05		12.80		12.44		12.07	
ASSET QUALITY											
Nonperforming loans	\$	26,240	\$	23,658	\$	22,921	\$	23,095	\$	19,812	32
Foreclosed properties		2,714		3,234		2,736		2,739		5,060	(46)
Total nonperforming assets (NPAs)		28,954		26,892		25,657		25,834		24,872	16
Allowance for loan losses		61,085		58,914		58,605		59,500		60,543	1
Net charge-offs		1,501		1,061		1,635		1,623		1,679	(11)
Allowance for loan losses to loans		.75%	)	.76%		.81%	)	.85%		.87%	
Net charge-offs to average loans <sup>(4)</sup>		.08		.06		.09		.09		.10	
NPAs to loans and foreclosed properties		.35		.35		.36		.37		.36	
NPAs to total assets		.24		.23		.23		.24		.23	
AVERAGE BALANCES (\$ in millions)											
Loans	\$	7,993	\$	7,560	\$	7,149	\$	6,980	\$	6,904	16
Investment securities	Ψ	2,870	Ψ	2,991	Ψ	2,800	Ψ	2,775	Ψ	2,822	2
Earning assets		11,076		10,735		10,133		9,899		9,872	12
Total assets		12,111		11,687		10,980		10,704		10,677	13
Deposits		9,759		9,624		8,913		8,659		8,592	14

Shareholders' equity	1,336	1,310	1,193	1,123	1,093	22
Common shares - basic (thousands)	79,205	76,768	73,151	71,810	71,700	10
Common shares - diluted (thousands)	79,215	76,768	73,162	71,820	71,708	10
AT PERIOD END (\$ in millions)						
Loans	\$ 8,184	\$ 7,736	\$ 7,203	\$ 7,041	\$ 6,965	18
Investment securities	2,731	2,937	2,847	2,787	2,767	(1)
Total assets	12,264	11,915	11,129	10,837	10,732	14
Deposits	9,993	9,808	9,127	8,736	8,752	14
Shareholders' equity	1,357	1,303	1,221	1,133	1,102	23
Common shares outstanding (thousands)	79,123	77,580	73,403	70,981	70,973	11
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- (1) Excludes merger-related and other charges which includes amortization of certain executive change of control benefits, the fourth quarter 2017 impact of remeasurement of United's deferred tax assets following the passage of tax reform legislation and a first quarter 2017 release of disproportionate tax effects lodged in OCI.
- (2) Net income less preferred stock dividends, divided by average realized common equity, which excludes accumulated other comprehensive income (loss).
- (3) Excludes effect of acquisition related intangibles and associated amortization.
- (4) Annualized.
- (5) First quarter 2018 ratio is preliminary.

		2018				201	17			
		First		Fourth		Third		Second	First	
(in thousands, except per share data)		<u>Quarter</u>		Quarter		Quarter		Quarter	_(	Quarter
Expense reconciliation										
Expenses (GAAP)	\$	73,475	\$	75,882	\$	65,674	\$	63,229	\$	62,826
Merger-related and other charges		(2,646)		(7,358)		(3,420)		(1,830)		(2,054)
Expenses - operating	\$	70,829	\$	68,524	\$	62,254	\$	61,399	\$	60,772
Net income reconciliation										
Net income (GAAP)	\$	37,658	\$	(11,916)	\$	27,946	\$	28,267	\$	23,524
Merger-related and other charges	Ψ	2,646	Ψ	7,358	Ψ	3,420	Ψ	1,830	Ψ	2,054
Income tax benefit of merger-related and other charges		(628)		(1,165)		(1,147)		(675)		(758)
Impact of tax reform on remeasurement of deferred tax asset		-		38,199		-		-		-
Release of disproportionate tax effects lodged in OCI		-		-		-		-		3,400
Net income - operating	\$	39,676	\$	32,476	\$	30,219	\$	29,422	\$	28,220
Diluted income per common share reconciliation										
Diluted income per common share (GAAP)	\$	.47	\$	(.16)	\$	.38	\$	.39	\$	.33
Merger-related and other charges		.03		.08		.03		.02		.01
Impact of tax reform on remeasurement of deferred tax asset		-		.50		-		-		-
Release of disproportionate tax effects lodged in OCI		-		_		-		-	_	.05
Diluted income per common share - operating	\$	.50	\$	.42	\$	.41	\$	.41	\$	.39
Book value per common share reconciliation										
Book value per common share (GAAP)	\$	17.02	\$	16.67	\$	16.50	\$	15.83	\$	15.40
Effect of goodwill and other intangibles		(4.06)		(3.02)		(2.39)		(2.09)		(2.10)
Tangible book value per common share	\$	12.96	\$	13.65	\$	14.11	\$	13.74	\$	13.30
Return on tangible common equity reconciliation										
Return on common equity (GAAP)		11.11%		(3.57)%		9.22%		9.98%		8.549
Merger-related and other charges		.60	,	1.86		.75		.41	,	.47
Impact of tax reform on remeasurement of deferred tax asset		-		11.44		./5		.71		.47
Release of disproportionate tax effects lodged in OCI		_		-		_		_		1.24
Return on common equity - operating		11.71		9.73	_	9.97	_	10.39		10.25
Effect of goodwill and other intangibles		3.55		2.20		1.96		1.80		1.85
Return on tangible common equity - operating		15.26%		11.93%		11.93%		12.19%		12.10
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Return on assets reconciliation Return on assets (GAAP)		1.26%		(.40)%		1.01%		1.06%		.899
Merger-related and other charges		.07	)	.20		.08		.04	)	.05
Impact of tax reform on remeasurement of deferred tax asset		.07		1.30		00		0-		-
Release of disproportionate tax effects lodged in OCI		_		-		_		_		.13
Return on assets - operating		1.33%		1.10%		1.09%		1.10%		1.07
Dividend payout ratio reconciliation Dividend payout ratio (GAAP)		25.53%		(62.50)%		26.32%		23.08%		27.279
Merger-related and other charges		(1.53)		12.04		(1.93)		(1.13)		(.98)
Impact of tax reform on remeasurement of deferred tax asset		-		74.27		-		-		-
Release of disproportionate tax effects lodged in OCI		-		-		-		-		(3.21)
Dividend payout ratio - operating		24.00%		23.81%		24.39%		21.95%		23.08%
Efficiency ratio reconciliation										
Efficiency ratio (GAAP)		57.83%	)	63.03%		59.27%		57.89%	)	59.299
Merger-related and other charges		(2.08)		(6.11)		(3.09)		(1.68)		(1.94)
Efficiency ratio - operating		55.75%		56.92%		56.18%		56.21%		57.35%
Average equity to assets reconciliation										
Equity to assets (GAAP)		11.03%		11.21%		10.86%		10.49%		10.249
Effect of goodwill and other intangibles		(2.21)		(1.69)		(1.41)		(1.26)		(1.28)
Tangible equity to assets		8.82	_	9.52		9.45		9.23		8.96
Effect of preferred equity		0.02		J.J2 -		J. <del>4</del> J		J.2J		0.50
Tangible common equity to assets		8.82%		9.52%		9.45%		9.23%		8.96 <sup>9</sup>
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Tangible common equity to risk-weighted assets reconciliation

(1)					
Tier 1 capital ratio (Regulatory)	11.68%	12.24%	12.27%	11.91%	11.46%
Effect of other comprehensive income	(.51)	(.29)	(.13)	(.15)	(.24)
Effect of deferred tax limitation	.43	.51	.94	.95	1.13
Effect of trust preferred	(.34)	(.36)	(.24)	(.25)	(.25)
Basel III intangibles transition adjustment	-	(.05)	(.04)	(.02)	(.03)
Tangible common equity to risk-weighted assets	11.26%	12.05%	12.80%	12.44%	12.07 <sup>%</sup>

(1) First quarter 2018 ratios are preliminary.

#### UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS, INC.

Financial Highlights
Loan Portfolio Composition at Period-End

		2018				201	۱7				Linked	Year over	
		First	]	Fourth		Third		Second		First	Quarter	Year	
(in millions)	(	Quarter	(	Quarter		Quarter	(	Quarter		Quarter	Change	Change	
LOANS BY CATEGORY													
Owner occupied commercial RE	\$	1,898	\$	1,924	\$	1,792	\$	1,723	\$	1,633	\$ (26)	\$ 265	
Income producing commercial RE		1,677		1,595		1,413		1,342		1,297	82	380	
Commercial & industrial		1,142		1,131		1,084		1,088		1,080	11	62	
Commercial construction		691		712		583		587		667	(21)	24	
Equipment financing		423		-		-		-		-	423	423	
Total commercial		5,831		5,362		4,872		4,740		4,677	469	1,154	
Residential mortgage		992		974		933		881		860	18	132	
Home equity lines of credit		712		731		689		665		659	(19)	53	
Residential construction		190		183		190		193		197	7	(7)	
Consumer direct		459		486		519		562		572	(27)	(113)	
Total loans	\$	8,184	\$	7,736	\$	7,203	\$	7,041	\$	6,965	448	1,219	
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LOANS BY MARKET													
North Georgia	\$	1,004	\$	1,019	\$	1,047	\$	1,065	\$	1,076	(15)	(72)	
Atlanta MSA		1,513		1,510		1,477		1,445		1,408	3	105	
North Carolina		1,037		1,049		542		541		541	(12)	496	
Coastal Georgia		635		630		634		623		591	5	44	
Gainesville MSA		231		248		242		246		252	(17)	(21)	
East Tennessee		473		475		471		486		483	(2)	(10)	
South Carolina		1,537		1,486		1,470		1,260		1,243	51	294	
Commercial Banking Solutions		1,438		961		920		926		911	477	527	
Indirect auto		316		358		400		449		460	(42)	(144)	
Total loans	\$	8,184	\$	7,736	\$	7,203	\$	7,041	\$	6,965	448	1,219	

	Fi	irst Quarter 2018			Fourth Quarter 2017 Third Quarter 2017											
	Nonperforming	Foreclosed	Tota	ıl	Nonpe	rforming	Fo	reclosed		Total	Non	performing	F	oreclosed		Total
(in thousands)	Loans	Properties	NP/	S	L	oans	Pı	roperties		NPAs		Loans	P	roperties		NPAs
NONPERFORMING	G ASSETS BY CAT	TEGORY														
Owner occupied CRE	\$ 6,757	\$ 1,121	\$ 7	,878	\$	4,923	\$	1,955	\$	6,878	\$	5,027	\$	764	\$	5,791
Income producing CRE	3,942	368	4	,310		3,208		244		3,452		2,042		121		2,163
Commercial & industrial	1,917	_	1	.917		2,097		_		2,097		2,378		_		2,378
Commercial	,-			, -		,				,		,				,-
construction	574	658	1	,232		758		884		1,642		1,376		923		2,299
Equipment financing	428	-		428		-		-		-		-		-		-
Total commercial	13,618	2,147	15	,765		10,986		3,083		14,069		10,823		1,808		12,631
Residential mortgage	8,724	232	8	,956		8,776		136		8,912		8,559		392		8,951
Home equity lines of credit	2,149	335	2	,484		2,024		15		2,039		1,898		195		2,093
Residential	, in the second of the second					ĺ				ĺ		ĺ				ĺ
construction	378	-		378		192		-		192		178		341		519
Consumer direct	1,371	<del>_</del>	1	,371		1,680				1,680		1,463				1,463
Total NPAs	\$ 26,240	\$ 2,714	\$ 28	,954	\$	23,658	\$	3,234	\$	26,892	\$	22,921	\$	2,736	\$	25,657
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NONPERFORMING	ASSETS BY MA	RKET														
North Georgia	\$ 8,519	\$ 85	\$ 8	,604	\$	7,310	\$	94	\$	7,404	\$	6,707	\$	404	\$	7,111
Atlanta MSA	1,138	132	1	,270		1,395		279		1,674		1,098		338		1,436
North Carolina	5,006	1,271		,277		4,543		1,213		5,756		4,376		318		4,694
Coastal Georgia	1,887	-	1	,887		2,044		20		2,064		2,532		-		2,532
Gainesville MSA	574	163		737		739		-		739		763		-		763
East Tennessee	1,511	10		,521		1,462		-		1,462		1,734		67		1,801
South Carolina	3,443	483	3	,926		3,433		1,059		4,492		1,903		1,609		3,512
Commercial Banking			_													
Solutions	2,937	570		,507		1,095		569		1,664		2,429		-		2,429
Indirect auto	1,225			,225		1,637		-		1,637		1,379		<u>-</u>		1,379
Total NPAs	\$ 26,240	\$ 2,714	\$ 28	,954	\$	23,658	\$	3,234	\$	26,892	\$	22,921	\$	2,736	\$	25,657
NONPERFORMING	ASSETS ACTIV															
Beginning Balance	\$ 23,658	\$ 3,234	\$ 26	,892	\$	22,921	\$	2,736	\$	25,657	\$	23,095	\$	2,739	\$	25,834
Acquisitions	428	-		428				659		659		20		805		825
Loans placed on non-																
accrual	7,463	-		,463		9,375		-		9,375		7,964		-		7,964
Payments received	(3,534)	-		,534)		(5,495)		-		(5,495)		(5,192)		-		(5,192)
Loan charge-offs	(1,150)	-	(1	,150)		(1,747)		-		(1,747)		(2,159)		-		(2,159)
Foreclosures	(625)	625		(057)		(1,396)		2,421		1,025		(807)		683		(124)
Property sales	-	(957)		(957)		-		(2,458)		(2,458)		-		(1,295)		(1,295)
Write downs	-	(72)		(72)		-		(117)		(117)		-		(236)		(236)
Net gains (losses) on sales	_	(116)		(116)		-		(7)		(7)		-		40		40
<b>Ending Balance</b>	\$ 26,240	\$ 2,714	\$ 28	,954	\$	23,658	\$	3,234	\$	26,892	\$	22,921	\$	2,736	\$	25,657

	First Quarter 2018		Fourth (	Quarter 2017	Third Quarter 2017					
	Net	Net Charge- Offs to Average	Net Charge-	Net Charge- Offs to Average	Net	Net Charge- Offs to Average				
(in thousands)	Charge-Offs	Loans (1)	Offs	Loans (1)	Charge-Offs	Loans (1)				
NET CHARGE-OFF										
Owner occupied CRE	\$ (43)	(.01)%	\$ (357)	(.08)%	\$ (44)	(.01)%				
Income producing										
CRE	422	.10	595	.16	1,159	.33				
Commercial &										
industrial	(3)	-	(242)	(.09)	(200)	(80.)				
Commercial	0.00									
construction	266	.15	148	.09	(114)	(.07)				
Equipment financing	40	.08		-		-				
Total commercial	682	.05	144	.01	801	.07				
Residential mortgage	(52)	(.02)	290	.12	313	.14				
Home equity lines of										
credit	89	.05	137	.08	56	.03				
Residential	(6.4)	(4.0)	(0.0)	(05)	0.0	0.7				
construction	(64)	(.14)	(23)	(.05)	36	.07				
Consumer direct	846	.72	513	.40	429	.31				
Total	\$ 1,501	.08	<b>\$</b> 1,061	.06	\$ 1,635	.09				
NET CHARGE-OFF	S BY MARKET									
North Georgia	\$ 772	.31%	\$ 64	.02%	\$ 516	.19%				
Atlanta MSA	(109)	(.03)	26	.01	150	.04				
North Carolina	144	.06	127	.06	221	.16				
Coastal Georgia	137	.09	174	.11	(39)	(.02)				
Gainesville MSA	(18)	(.03)	154	.25	(50)	(80.)				
East Tennessee	31	.03	61	.05	55	.05				
South Carolina	12	-	95	.03	528	.15				
Commercial Banking										
Solutions	176	.06	75	.03	(7)	-				
Indirect auto	356	.41	285	.30	261	.24				
Total	\$ 1,501	.08	\$ 1,061	.06	\$ 1,635	.09				

#### (1) Annualized.

		Three Moi Marc		ded
(in thousands, except per share data)		2018		2017
Interest revenue:	ф	06.460	ф	72.727
Loans, including fees	\$	96,469	\$	72,727
Investment securities, including tax exempt of \$972 and \$279		18,295		17,712
Deposits in banks and short-term investments		526		519
Total interest revenue		115,290		90,958
Interest expense:				
Deposits:				
NOW		1,113		597
Money market		2,175		1,426
Savings		49		27
Time		2,956		1,008
Total deposit interest expense		6,293		3,058
Short-term borrowings		300		40
Federal Home Loan Bank advances		2,124		1,430
Long-term debt		3,288		2,876
Total interest expense		12,005		7,404
Net interest revenue		103,285		83,554
Provision for credit losses		3,800		800
Net interest revenue after provision for credit losses		99,485		82,754
Fee revenue:				
Service charges and fees		8,925		10,604
Mortgage loan and other related fees		5,359		4,424
Brokerage fees		872		1,410
Gains from sales of SBA/USDA loans		1,778		1,959
Securities gains (losses), net		(940)		(2)
Other		6,402		3,679
Total fee revenue		22,396		22,074
Total revenue		121,881		104,828
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Operating expenses:				
Salaries and employee benefits		42,875		36,691
Communications and equipment		4,632		4,918
Occupancy		5,613		4,949
Advertising and public relations		1,515		1,061
Postage, printing and supplies		1,637		1,370
Professional fees		4,044		3,044
FDIC assessments and other regulatory charges		2,476		1,283
Amortization of intangibles		1,898		973
Merger-related and other charges		2,054		2,054
Other		6,731		6,483
Total operating expenses		73,475		62,826
Net income before income taxes		48,406		42,002
Income tax expense		10,748		
Net income	<u></u>		<u></u>	18,478
Net income	\$	37,658	\$	23,524
Net income available to common shareholders	\$	37,381	\$	23,524
Earnings per common share:		.=	<b>.</b>	
Basic	\$	.47	\$	.33
Diluted		.47		.33
Weighted average common shares outstanding:				
Basic		79,205		71,700
Diluted		79,215		71,708

(in thousands, except share and per share data)	 March 31, 2018		December 31, 2017	
ASSETS				
Cash and due from banks	\$ 136,201	\$	129,108	
Interest-bearing deposits in banks	216,052		185,167	
Cash and cash equivalents	352,253		314,275	
Securities available for sale	2,419,049		2,615,850	
Securities held to maturity (fair value \$308,007 and \$321,276)	312,080		321,094	
Loans held for sale (includes \$26,493 and \$26,252 at fair value)	26,493		32,734	
Loans and leases, net of unearned income	8,184,249		7,735,572	
Less allowance for loan and lease losses	(61,085)		(58,914)	
Loans, net	 8,123,164		7,676,658	
Premises and equipment, net	208,243		208,852	
Bank owned life insurance	189,759		188,970	
Accrued interest receivable	31,349		32,459	
Net deferred tax asset	86,520		88,049	
Derivative financial instruments	27,202		22,721	
Goodwill and other intangible assets	328,328		244,397	
Other assets	159,815		169,401	
Total assets	\$ 12,264,255	\$	11,915,460	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Liabilities:				
Deposits:				
Demand	\$ 3,226,111	\$	3,087,797	
NOW	2,106,145		2,131,939	
Money market	2,052,486		2,016,748	
Savings	677,020		651,742	
Time	1,520,931		1,548,460	
Brokered	410,747		371,011	
Total deposits	 9,993,440		9,807,697	
Short-term borrowings	-		50,000	
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	434,574		504,651	
Long-term debt	325,955		120,545	
Derivative financial instruments	33,236		25,376	
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	120,295		103,857	
Total liabilities	 10,907,500	-	10,612,126	
Shareholders' equity:				
Common stock, \$1 par value; 150,000,000 shares authorized;				
79,122,620 and 77,579,561 shares issued and outstanding	79,123		77,580	
Common stock issuable; 612,831 and 607,869 shares	9,392		9,083	
Capital surplus	1,496,307		1,451,814	
Accumulated deficit	(181,877)		(209,902)	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(46,190)		(25,241)	
Total shareholders' equity	1,356,755		1,303,334	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 12,264,255	\$	11,915,460	

#### UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS, INC.

#### Average Consolidated Balance Sheets and Net Interest Analysis

For the Three Months Ended March 31,

		2018			2017	
(dollars in thousands, fully taxable equivalent (FTE))	Average Balance	Interest	Avg. Rate	Average Balance	Interest	Avg. Rate
Assets:						
Interest-earning assets:						
Loans, net of unearned income (FTE) (1)(2)	\$ 7,993,339	\$ 96,389	4.89%	\$ 6,903,860	\$ 72,741	4.27%
Taxable securities <sup>(3)</sup>	2,722,977	17,323	2.54	2,779,625	17,433	2.51
Tax-exempt securities (FTE) (1)(3)	146,531	1,309	3.57	42,180	457	4.33
Federal funds sold and other interest-earning assets	213,055	698	1.31	146,027	664	1.82
Total interest-earning assets (FTE)	11,075,902	115,719	4.23	9,871,692	91,295	3.74
Non-interest-earning assets:				-,,,,,,,		
Allowance for loan losses	(59,144)			(61,668)		
Cash and due from banks	160,486			99,253		
Premises and equipment	216,723			190,096		
Other assets <sup>(3)</sup>						
Total assets	717,385			577,168		
Total assets	\$12,111,352			\$10,676,541		
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity:						
Interest-bearing liabilities:						
Interest-bearing deposits:						
NOW	\$ 2,083,703	1,113	.22	\$ 1,959,678	597	.12
Money market	2,230,620	2,175	.40	2,065,449	1,426	.28
Savings	655,746	49	.03	560,634	27	.02
Time	1,535,216	2,241	.59	1,263,946	815	.26
Brokered time deposits	158,358	715	1.83	98,340	193	.80
Total interest-bearing deposits	6,663,643	6,293	.38	5,948,047	3,058	.21
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Federal funds purchased and other borrowings	78,732	300	1.55	19,031	40	.85
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	511,727	2,124	1.68	681,117	1,430	.85
Long-term debt	274,480	3,288	4.86	175,142	2,876	6.66
Total borrowed funds	864,939	5,712	2.68	875,290	4,346	2.01
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Total interest-bearing liabilities	7,528,582	12,005	.65	6,823,337	7,404	.44
Non-interest-bearing liabilities:	2 22 42					
Non-interest-bearing deposits	3,095,405			2,643,630		
Other liabilities	150,955			116,752		
Total liabilities	10,774,942			9,583,719		
Shareholders' equity	1,336,410			1,092,822		
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 12,111,352			\$10,676,541		
Net interest revenue (FTE)		¢ 102.714			¢ 02.001	
		\$ 103,714			\$ 83,891	
Net interest-rate spread (FTE)			3.58%			3.30%
Net interest margin (FTE) <sup>(4)</sup>			2.000/			2.4=0/
Net interest margin (F 1 E)			3.80%			3.45%

<sup>(1)</sup> Interest revenue on tax-exempt securities and loans has been increased to reflect comparable interest on taxable securities and loans. The rate used was 39%, reflecting the statutory federal income tax rate and the federal tax adjusted state income tax rate.

<sup>(2)</sup> Included in the average balance of loans outstanding are loans where the accrual of interest has been discontinued and loans that are held for sale.

<sup>(3)</sup> Securities available for sale are shown at amortized cost. Pretax unrealized losses of \$28.3 million in 2018 and \$5.38 million in 2017 are included in other assets for purposes of this presentation.

<sup>(4)</sup> Net interest margin is taxable equivalent net-interest revenue divided by average interest-earning assets.

# 2018 INVESTOR PRESENTATION

FIRST QUARTER 2018 April 24, 2018



### **Disclosures**

#### CAUTIONARY STATEMENT

This investor presentation may contain forward-looking statements, as defined by federal securities laws, including statements about United and its financial outlook and business environment. These statements are based on current expectations and are provided to assist in the understanding of our operations and future financial performance. Our operations and such performance involves risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in any such statements. For a discussion of some of the risks and other factors that may cause such forward-looking statements to differ materially from actual results, please refer to United Community Banks, Inc.'s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including its 2017 Annual Report on Form 10-K under the section entitled "Forward-Looking Statements." Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made, and we undertake no obligation to update or revise forward-looking statements.

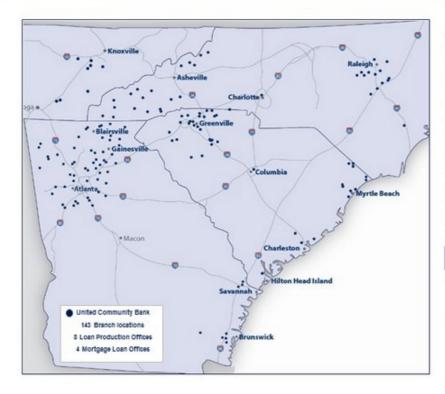
#### **NON-GAAP MEASURES**

This presentation includes financial information determined by methods other than in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). This financial information includes certain operating performance measures, which exclude merger-related and other charges that are not considered part of recurring operations. Such measures include: "Net income – operating," "Net income available to common shareholders – operating," "Earnings per share – operating," "Diluted earnings per share – operating," "Tangible book value per share," "Return on common equity – operating," "Return on tangible common equity – operating," "Return on assets – operating," "Efficiency ratio – operating," "Expenses – operating," "Tangible common equity to riskweighted assets," and "Average tangible equity to average assets." This presentation also includes "pre-tax, pre-credit earnings," which excludes the provision for credit losses, income taxes and merger-related and other charges.

Management has included these non-GAAP measures because we believe they may provide useful supplemental information for evaluating our underlying performance trends. Further, management uses these measures in managing and evaluating our business and intends to refer to them in discussions about our operations and performance. Operating performance measures should be viewed in addition to, and not as an alternative to or substitute for, measures determined in accordance with GAAP, and are not necessarily comparable to non-GAAP measures that may be presented by other companies. To the extent applicable, reconciliations of these non-GAAP measures to the most directly comparable GAAP measures can be found in the 'Non-GAAP Reconciliation Tables' included in the exhibits to this presentation.



## Who We Are Snapshot of United Community Banks, Inc.



1Q18 Overview			
Ticker	UCBI (NASDAQ)		
Market Cap	\$2.5Bn		
P/E (2018E)	14.3x		
Р/ТВУ	244%		
Assets	\$12.3Bn		
Loans	\$8.2Bn		
Deposits	\$10.0Bn		
CET1	11.34%		
NPAs / Assets	0.24%		
ROA – GAAP	1.26%		
ROA - Operating (1)	1.33%		
ROCE - GAAP	11.11%		
ROTCE - Operating (1)	15.26%		

#### Premier Southeast Regional Bank

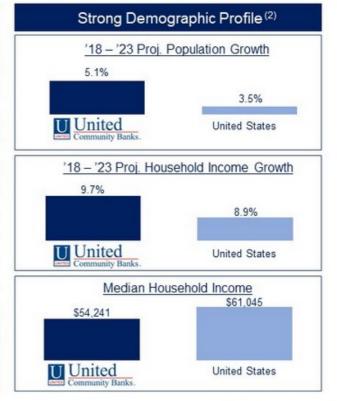
- Established in 1950 and headquartered in Blairsville, GA with an executive office in Greenville, SC
  - √ 2,330 employees
- One of the largest regional banks in the U.S. by assets with 143 branch locations, 8 loan production offices and 4 mortgage loan offices in four states: GA, NC, SC and TN
  - ✓ Top 10 market share in GA and SC
- Metro-focused branch network with locations in fast growing areas
  - Over 80% of branches located in metro areas

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Market data as of April 19, 2018 located in meti
(1) See non-GAAP reconciliation table slides at the end of the exhibits for a reconciliation of operating performance measures to GAAP performance measures.

## Who We Are Focused on High-Growth MSAs in Southeast

	Fastest Growing outheast MSAs (1)	2018-2023 Proj. Population Growth	2018 Population	2023 Proj. Median Household Income
1.	Myrtle Beach, SC	9.96%	470,010	\$55,177
2.	Cape Coral, FL	8.66%	740,553	\$59,220
3.	Charleston, SC	8.46%	785,518	\$69,670
4.	Orlando, FL	8.17%	2,518,915	\$62,806
5.	Raleigh, NC	8.08%	1,335,067	\$76,237
6.	Naples, FL	7.95%	374,242	\$75,389
7.	North Port, FL	7.54%	808,091	\$66,409
8.	Lakeland, FL	7.22%	683,670	\$51,907
9.	Charlotte, NC	7.22%	2,537,416	\$65,758
10.	Jacksonville, FL	6.89%	1,519,940	\$65,428
16.	Savannah, GA	6.60%	392,546	\$61,718
18.	Atlanta, GA	6.48%	5,919,767	\$71,156
21.	Greenville, SC	6.12%	901,549	\$58,643









# Who We Are Full-Service Regional Bank with a Strong Culture Rooted in Sound Credit Underwriting & Growth

#### **Cultural Pillars**

#### High-Quality Balance Sheet

- > Underwriting conservatism and portfolio diversification
- > Top quartile credit quality performance
- > Prudent capital, liquidity and interest-rate risk management
- Focused on improving return to shareholders with increasing ROTCE and dividend growth

#### Profitability

- Managing a steady margin with minimal accretion income
- > Fee revenue expansion through focused growth initiatives
- Continued operating expense discipline while investing in growth opportunities
- > Executing on M&A cost savings
- > High-quality, low-cost core deposit base

#### Growth

- > Addition of Commercial Banking Solutions platforms (middle market banking, SBA lending, senior care, income-property lending, asset-based lending, builder finance, renewable energy, equipment finance) and actively pursuing additional lending platforms
- Entered into and continue to target new markets with team liftouts (Charleston, Greenville, Atlanta, Raleigh)
- Continuous emphasis on and enhancement of Mortgage product offerings to drive loan and revenue growth
- Acquisitions that fit our footprint and culture and deliver desired financial returns

#### Customer Service Is at Our Foundation





## Who We Are The Bank That Service Built

#### Regional Bank with Community Bank-Level Service

Ranked #1 in Retail Banking Customer Satisfaction in the Southeast by J.D. Power

J.D. Power 2017 U.S. Retail Banking Satisfaction Study<sup>5M</sup>



#### Recognized for

...Being a great place to work







...High levels of financial performance

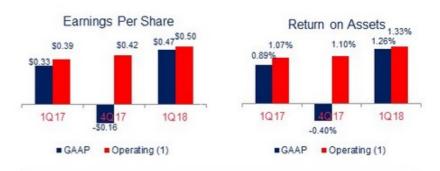






## 1Q18 Highlights

- Operating diluted earnings per share of \$0.50 compared with GAAP diluted earnings per share of \$0.47
- Operating EPS rose 28% vs. last year
- Operating ROA moved to 1.33%, on path towards 1.40% 2018 target.
- TBV per share down 3% vs. last year, 1Q18 impacted by Navitas acquisition as expected
- Dividend \$0.12 up 33% vs. last year



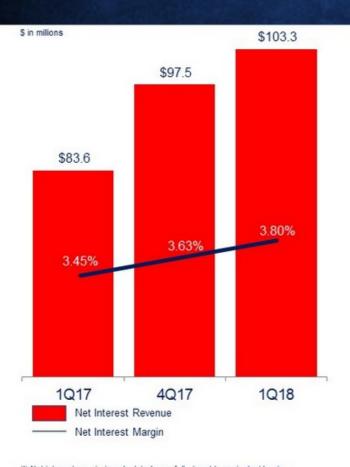


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performance measures

(2) Excludes effect of acquisition-related intangibles and associated amortization



## Net Interest Revenue / Margin (1)



(1) Net interest margin is calculated on a fully-taxable equivalent basis

- Net interest revenue of \$103.3 million increased \$5.8 million (5.9%) vs. 4Q17 and \$19.7 million (23.6%) vs. 1Q17
  - Benefit of Navitas and Four Oaks acquisitions, in addition to rising short-term interest rates
- Net interest margin up 35 bps vs. 1Q17 due to higher short-term rates and stable core deposit base and the impact of Navitas and Four Oaks
- Net interest margin up 17 bps vs. 4Q17 impacted by
  - Approximately 10 of the 17 basis points increase due to Navitas acquisition
  - Accretable yield contributed \$1.55 million or 6 bps to 1Q18, down one basis point vs. 4Q17



## **Deposits**

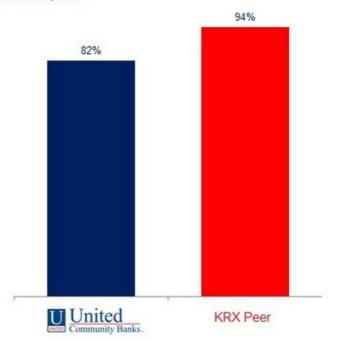
#### Low-Cost Deposit Base (1)

#### Cost of Total Deposits (bps)



#### Sufficient Liquidity to Support Future Growth

Loans/Deposits (2)



Note - Peer comparison banks comprise the KBW Regional Bank Index (ticker:KRX)

(1) Source: S&P Global Market Intelligence (2) United results as of 1Q18; KRX results as of 4Q17 (Source: SNL Financial LC)



## Loans



(1) C&I includes commercial and industrial loans as well as owner-occupied CRE loans

- Annualized end of period loan growth was 3.5%, or 6% excluding Indirect Auto runoff of \$42 million
- Navitas closed on 2/1 with \$379 million of loans and grew to \$423 million at quarter end
- Strategically moved C&I (including owneroccupied CRE) to 37% of loans versus 23% pre crisis
- Investor CRE loans moved to 21% from 47% pre crisis
- Residential mortgages have increased due to the introduction of on balance sheet mortgage products
- Other consumer has declined to a 6% contribution due to the planned runoff of the indirect auto portfolio
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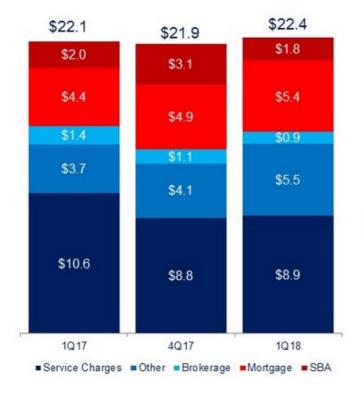
## Loan Growth Drivers

- Greater expansion in our metro markets, including our new Myrtle Beach and Raleigh markets
- Expansion of our Commercial Banking Solutions (CBS) unit (i.e. deeper penetration and new verticals)
- We estimate the Navitas acquisition adds about 200 basis points to our growth rate over time
- Continued development of our unique partnership model where the community banks partner with CBS to drive growth
- Growth in the mortgage business via expansion into newly acquired markets and with the addition of on-balance sheet adjustable rate products



## Fee Revenue

in millions



#### Vs Last Year, fees up \$0.3 mm to \$22.4 mm

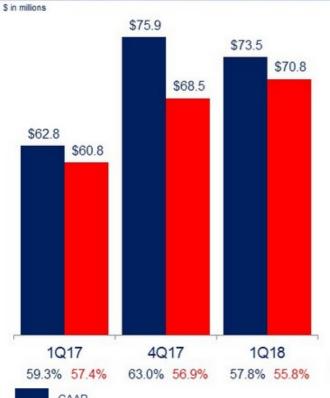
- \$2.7 mm lower service charges as Durbin impact more than offsets increase from acquisitions
- Mortgage originations up 26% year over year to \$191
- SBA production up 27% vs. 1Q17 to \$26.5 mm, SBA revenue down slightly year over year on lower loan sales (\$22.2 million in 1Q18 vs \$23.4 million in 1Q17)
- Q1 SBA production placed UCBI as top 20 national originator
- Other income up \$1.8 mm includes the benefit of \$0.8 mm of Navitas fee income, \$0.3 mm in higher customer derivative fees, \$0.3 mm BOLI from acquisitions and the net benefit of \$1.16 mm in hedging gains offset by \$0.94 mm of securities losses

#### Linked quarter, fees up \$0.5 mm due to:

- Higher mortgage fees in Q1 vs Q4 due slightly lower originations (\$191 mm in Q1 vs \$196 million in Q4) as MSR write-up was \$0.1 mm higher and rate locks in the pipeline increased 19%
- Seasonal decrease in SBA
- Other income includes the benefit of \$0.8 mm of Navitas fee income, \$0.2 mm in higher customer derivative fees and the net benefit of \$1.16 mm in hedging gains offset by \$0.94 mm of securities losses

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## Expense Discipline



- Year over year, GAAP and operating expenses grew 17% and 16%, respectively, mostly due to acquisitions
  - Operating efficiency ratio improved to 55.8% from 57.4% last year
- Linked quarter, GAAP and operating expenses shrunk 3% and grew 3%respectively
  - Approximately \$3.5 mm incremental expense increase came from Four Oaks and Navitas
  - Core expenses down \$1.2mm vs 4Q17 despite negative seasonality

Efficiency Ratio (1)

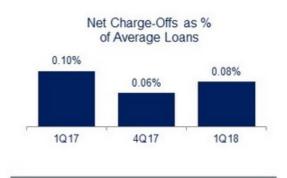


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## **Credit Quality**

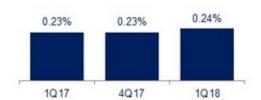








#### Non-Performing Assets as % of Total Assets





## **Key Strengths**

- Culture and business model that attracts both bankers and potential acquisition partners
- Positioned well in many of the South's fastest-growing markets
- > Superior customer service helps drive great core deposit growth
- Well-developed credit model to drive consistent performance through cycles
- Liquid balance sheet and strong capital offer flexibility in a rising rate environment



## Capital Ratios

Holding Company	1Q17	4Q17	1Q18 <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Equity Tier I Capital	11.4%	12.0%	11.3%
Tier I Risk-Based Capital	11.5	12.3	11.7
Total Risk-Based Capital	12.3	13.0	13.6
Leverage	8.6	9.4	9.1
Tangible Common Equity to Risk-Weighted Assets	12.1	12.1	11.3
Average Tangible Equity to Average Assets	9.0	9.5	8.8

- All regulatory capital ratios significantly above "well-capitalized"
- Navitas acquisition closed on February 1st, 2018 and included \$84.5 million in cash consideration which levered strong capital ratios in Q1
- Quarterly dividend of \$0.12 per share (up 33% YoY)
- \$36.3 million remaining on our stock repurchase authorization which expires December 31, 2018
- ► Capital impact of acquisitions
  - ► Four Oaks acquisition completed on November 1, 2017; minimal impact on capital ratios for 4Q17
  - ▶ We raised \$100 million in sub debt 1Q18 that added 109 basis points to the Total Risk-Based Capital Ratio

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(1) 1Q18 ratios are preliminary

## **Acquisition of Navitas**

#### Transaction Rationale

- Acquisition of high-performing, scalable equipment finance platform with national reach and exceptional origination
- Accretive to EPS by approximately \$0.20 in first full year of operations (1)
- Further diversifies loan portfolio into C&I.
- Enhances current SBA business by adding new product offerings tailored to small and medium businesses ("SMBs")
- Opportunity to replace Navitas' current funding with UCBI's low-cost funding base
- Long tenured management team with proven track record of delivering growth and outsized performance

#### Transaction Overview

Aggregate Transaction Value

\$130 million

Consideration

- 35% stock / 65% cash
- Cash consideration financed with \$100MM subordinated debt issuance
- Stock exchange ratio based on the average 10-day trading price of UCBI stock at close

Closed

February 1, 2018

Separate subsidiary of the bank operating as a stand-alone

#### **Business Overview**

- Founded in September 2008, Navitas is a nationwide equipment finance lender based in Ponte Vedra, FL
  - 125 employees as of March 31, 2018
- Offers customized debt financing products for small and medium businesses ("SMBs")
- Scalable platform designed to efficiently originate, underwrite and manage large volumes of low balance accounts for SMBs
- Strong origination channels (direct and indirect) diversified across geographies, industries and equipment types
- Led by senior management team with average experience of 25+ years in the financial services industry

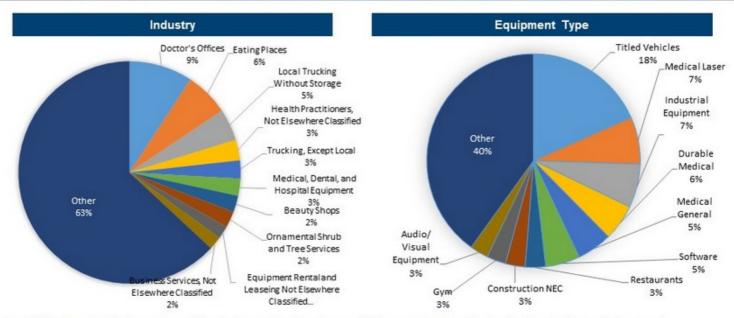
#### **Key Industries**



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#### Navitas Portfolio Strategy and Stratifications (1)



- Multi channel origination strategy of developing and acquiring teams of highly experienced professionals with a track record of success in their respective market niche
- > These teams are supported by centralized corporate functions including:
  - Credit Policy, Credit, Portfolio Management, Marketing, Account Servicing, Information Services, Legal, Accounting and Finance
- Structure allows Navitas the flexibility to effectively compete in multiple markets while still providing consistency across the organization with centralized control
- > Portfolio is managed to maintain no significant state, equipment type, industry, vendor / broker or obligor concentrations

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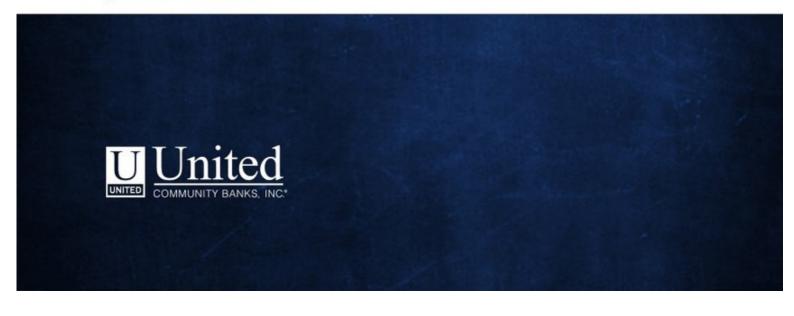
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Notes 1. As of March 31, 2018

# 2018 INVESTOR PRESENTATION

**Exhibits** 

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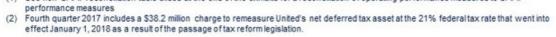


#### Earnings, Fee Revenue, and Expenses



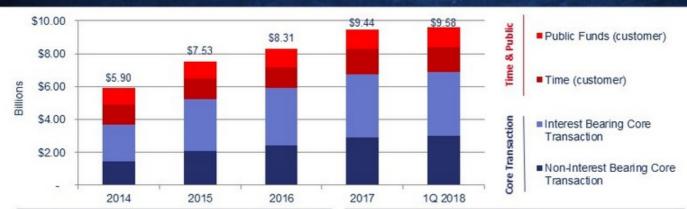
		ings pre-credit)					Fee	Rev	enue					E	хре	nses				
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		1018		4Q17		1017			1Q18	4Q1		101	_		7.2	1Q18	4	Q17		Q17
Net Interest Revenue	5	103,285	5	5,777	5	19,731	Oerdraf Fees	9	3,652		(79)		255	Salaries & Employee Benefits	\$	42,875	\$	1,833	\$	6,18
Fee Revenue		22,396		468		322	Interchange Fees	*	3,271	*	83	(2,		Communications & Equipment		4,632		(585)		(28
Gross Revenue		125,681	26	6,245		20,053			100000000000000000000000000000000000000					Occupancy		5,613		71		66
Expenses - Operating (1)		70,829		2,305		10.057	Other Service Charges	-	2,002		51		183	PDIC Assessment		2,296		520		1,01
Pre-Tax, Pre-Credit Earnings (1)	_	54,852		3,940	-	9,996	Total Service Charges and Fees		8,925		155		379)	Advertising & Public Relations		1,515		620		45
Provision for Credit Losses		(3,800)		2,600		3,000	Mortgage Loan & Related Fees		5,359		174		335	Postage, Printing & Supplies		1,637		(188)		26
Merger-Related and Other Charges		(2,646)		(4,712)		592	Brokerage Fees		872	(	196)	(3	38)	Professional Fees		4,044		361		1,00
Income Taxes (I)		(10.748)		(43,522)		(4,330)	Gains from SBA Loan Sales		1,778	(1,3	324)	(	181)	Other Expense		8.217		(327)		76
Net Income - GAAP	5	37,658	5	49,574	\$	14,134	Securities Gains, Net		(940)	0	792)	(3	338)	Expenses -Operating (1)		70,829		2,305		10,05
							Other		6,402	2.1	151	2.	723	Merger-Related and Other Charges		2,646		(4,712)		593
							Fee Revenue	5	22.396	5	888	5	122	Expenses - GAAP	\$	73,475	\$	(2,407)	\$	10,643

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### Deposit Mix



Core Tr		sac y Cat	ego				Gr	owt	h	
	2	014	2	015	2	016	2	017	10	2018
Demand Deposit	S	161	S	618	S	334	S	487	_	117
NOW		9		441		5		107		4
MMDA		41		325		246		156		(7)
Savings		41		177		79		101		25
Growth by Category	\$	252	\$	,561	\$	664	\$	851	\$	139
Atlanta MSA	s	84	s	223	s	168	s	91	s	38
North Georgia		90		158		133		80		58
North Carolina (1)		35		63		62		412		11
Coastal Georgia		22		24		16		28		40
East Tennessee (2)		8		234		(16)		(7)		(2)
Gainesville MSA		10		34		48		20		5
South Carolina (2)		3		825		253		227		(11)
Growth by Region	S	252	S	.561	S	664	S	851	S	139

Alnoludes \$349 million from the acquisition of Four Caxs NB on November 1, 2017

Alnoludes \$790 million, \$175 million and \$226 million, respectively, from the acquisitions of Falmetto on September 1, 2015, Tidelands on July 1, 2016 and Horry County State Bank on July 31, 2017

Note — Column graph summarizes customer deposits, which excludes brokered deposits

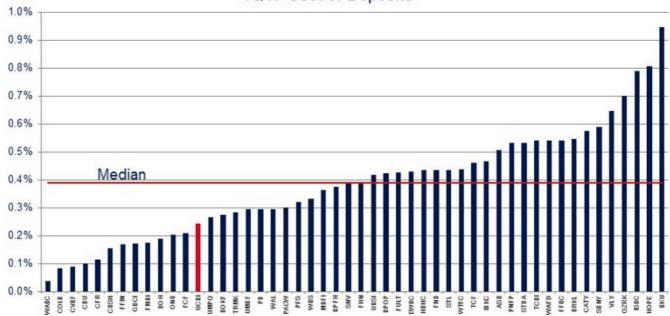
	Depo by Cal in mil	tegory			
	2014	2015	2016	2017	10 2018
Non-Interest Bearing Core					
Demand Deposit	\$ 1,471	\$ 2,089	\$ 2,423	\$ 2,910	\$ 3,027
Interest Bearing Core					
NOW	668	1,109	1,114	1,221	1,225
MMDA	1,259	1,584	1,830	1,986	1,979
Savings	292	469	548	649	675
Total Interest Bearing Core	2,219	3,162	3,492	3,856	3,878
Total Core Trans Deposits	3,690	5,251	5,915	6,766	6,905
Time (Customer)	1.223	1,251	1.267	1,522	1,487
Public Funds (Customer)	989	1.032	1,128	1,148	1,190
Brokered	425	339	328	371	411
Total Deposits	\$ 6,327	\$ 7,873	\$ 8,638	\$ 9,808	\$ 9,993



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### High-Quality, Low-Cost Core Deposit Base





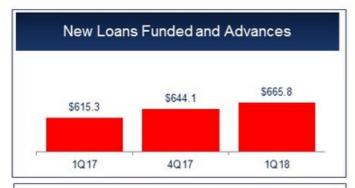
- Our fourth quarter 2017 total cost of deposits was 24 basis points, which compared favorably to peers with a median of 39 basis points
- Core deposits (excludes Jumbo CDs / Brokered) comprised approximately 98% of our total customer deposits at March 31, 2018

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Source: S&P Global Market Intelligence Note – Peer comparison banks comprise the KBW Regional Bank Index (ticker:KRX)

### New Loans Funded and Advances<sup>(1)</sup>

\$ in millions



New Loa		ded a Category		vances	3
				Variance-	Incr(Dear)
	1Q18	4Q17	1017	4Q17	1017
Commercial & Industrial	\$ 220.7	\$ 135.4	\$ 106.8	\$ 85.3	\$ 113.9
Owner-Occupied CRE	67.1	121.0	79.5	(53.9)	(12.4)
Income-Producing CRE	70.2	77.8	102.2	(7.6)	(31.9)
Commercial Constr.	145.6	130.8	116.3	14.8	29.3
Total Commercial	503.6	485.0	404.8	38.6	98.8
Residential Mortgage	38.3	49.2	45.1	(10.9)	(6.8)
Residential HELOC	53.6	59.4	53.8	(5.8)	(0.2)
Residential Construction	54.4	55.0	56.2	(0.6)	(1.8)
Consumer	15.8	15.5	55.3	0.3	(39.5)
Total	\$ 665.8	\$ 644.1	\$ 615.3	\$ 21.7	\$ 50.5

				Variance-In	cr(Decr)
	1Q18	4Q17	1017	4Q17	1017
Atlanta	\$ 121.1	\$ 144.3	\$ 112.6	\$ (23.2)	8.5
Coastal Georgia	39.3	29.5	44.3	9.8	(5.0
North Georgia	60.2	55.9	63.2	4.2	(3.0
North Carolina	35.9	47.7	30.2	(11.8)	5.7
Tennessee	28.8	44.0	19.7	(15.2)	9.0
Gaines ville	11.0	20.1	31.6	(9.1)	(20.7
South Carolina	131.3	98.4	121.1	33.0	10.2
Total Community Banks	427.5	439.9	422.8	(12.4)	4.7
Asset-based Lending	10.8	12.3	19.8	(1,4)	(8.9
Commercial RE	33.8	45.5	42.0	(11.7)	(8.2
Senior Care	36.1	33.9	24.1	22	12.0
Middle Market	6.9	26.5	14.0	(19.6)	(7.1
SBA	32.7	55.5	25.0	(22.8)	7.7
Renewable Energy	8.5			8.5	8.5
Navitas	65.3			65.3	65.3
Builder Finance	44.1	30.4	26.5	13.7	17.7
Total Commercial Banking	-		-		200
Solutions	238.3	204.2	151.3	34.1	87.0



<sup>(1)</sup> Represents new loans funded and net loan advances (net of payments on lines of credit)

### Loan Mix

		Loans by Region in millions			
	2014	2015	2016	2017	1Q18
North Georgia	\$ 1,163	\$ 1,125	\$ 1,097	\$ 1,019	\$ 1,004
Atlanta MSA	1,243	1,259	1,399	1,510	1,513
North Carolina <sup>(1)</sup>	553	549	545	1,049	1,037
Coastal Georgia	456	537	581	630	635
Gaines ville MSA	257	254	248	248	231
East Tennes see (2)	280	504	504	475	473
South Carolina (2)	30	819	1,233	1,488	1,537
Total Community Banks	3,982	5,047	5,607	6,417	6,430
Commercial Banking					
Solutions (4)	421	492	855	961	1,438
Indirect Auto (3)	269	458	459	358	316
Total Loans	\$ 4,672	\$ 5,995	\$ 6,921	\$ 7,736	\$ 8,184

(\*Incudes \$501 million from the Four Oaks acquisition on November 1, 2017

Cincludes \$244 million from the acquisition of PNB on May 1, 2015

Cincludes \$735 million, \$306 million and \$216 million, respectively, from the acquisitions of Palmetto on September 1, 2015, Tidelands on July 1, 2016 and Horry County State Bank on July 31, 2017

(Cincludes \$359 million from the Navissa acquisition on February 1, 2018.

Cincludes \$539 million from the acquisition of Palmetto on September 1, 2015

	t	Loans by Categor in millions	у		
	2014	2015	2016	2017	1018
Commercial & Industrial	\$ 710	\$ 785	\$ 1,070	\$ 1,131	\$ 1,142
Owner-Occupied CRE	1,257	1,571	1,650	1,924	1,898
Income-Producing CRE	767	1,021	1,282	1,595	1,677
Commercial Constr.	384	518	634	712	691
Equipment Financing	-	-	-	-	423
Total Commercial	3,098	3,895	4,636	5,362	5,831
Residential Mortgage	614	764	857	974	992
Residential HELOC	456	589	655	731	712
Residential Construction	131	176	190	183	190
Consumer	104	115	124	128	143
Indirect Auto	269	456	459	358	316
Total Loans	\$ 4,672	\$ 5,995	\$ 6,921	\$ 7,736	\$ 8,184



### Commercial Real Estate Diversification

100.000	Committed				_	Outst		
Residential CIP : SPEC		54	12.5	%	S	93	13.5	96
Assisted Living/Nursing Home/Rehab Cntr	2	31	18.8			81	11.7	
Other Properties	1	80	8.8			75	10.9	
Residential Land Development-Builders		66	5.3			60	8.7	
Raw Land - Vacant (Unimproved)		66	5.4			54	7.8	
Office Buildings	1	13	9.2			50	7.2	
Resi Construction in Process: PRESOLD		73	5.9			47	6.8	
Vacant (Improved)		51	4.1			42	6.1	
Retail Building		43	3.5			36	5.2	
Multi-Residential Properties	1	10	8.9			34	4.9	
Residental Land Development- Subdivisions in Process		40	3.2			27	3.9	
Residential Raw Land in the Hands of Builders/Developers		24	1.9			23	3.3	
Warehouse		29	2.4			18	2.6	
Hotels Motels		68	5.5			14	2.0	
Commercial Land Development		15	1.2			13	2.0	
Restaurants /Franchise Fast Food		26	2.1			13	1.9	
Churches		11	0.9			8	1.2	
Carwash		4	0.3			3	0.4	
Total Commercial Construction	\$ 1.2	32	100	96	S	691	100	9

	4	0.3	3
mercial Construction	\$ 1,232	100 %	\$ 691
Comm	nitted Average L		e
	mercial Constructi mercial RE:	ion	\$496
	Composite CRE		435
	Owner-Occupied		414
	Income-Producing	1	462

Commercial Real B		millions		<u> </u>			9	
		Com	mitted	Outstanding				
Office Buildings	S	435	24.5	96	S	394	23.5	96
Retail Building		366	20.6			348	20.8	
Investor Residential		198	11.1			196	11.7	
Hotels Motels		181	10.2			176	10.5	
Other Properties		157	8.8			142	8.5	
Warehouse		133	7.5			126	7.5	
Multi-Residential Properties		119	6.7			116	6.9	
Restaurants /Franchise Fast Food		52	3.0			47	2.8	
Convenience Stores		38	2.0			35	2.1	
Mfg Facility		28	1.5			25	1.5	
Assis ted Living		21	1.2			21	1.3	
Self Storage		20	1.1			19	1.1	
Leas ehold Property		12	0.7			12	0.7	
Automotive Service		9	0.5			8	0.5	
Mobile Home Parks		4	0.2			4	0.2	
Daycare Facility		4	0.2			4	0.2	
Automotive Dealers hip		2	0.1			2	0.1	
Carwash		1	0.1			1	0.1	
Total Commercial Real Estate - Income Producing	\$1	,777	100	%	s	1,677	100	9





#### Disciplined Credit Processes

#### Granular Portfolio - Exposure and Industry Limits



 Legal Lending Limit 314M House Lending Limit 30M Project Lending Limit 18M Top 25 Relationships 579M

#### Concentration limits set for all segments of the portfolio

STRUCTURE

- Centralized underwriting and approval process for consumer credit
- Distributed Regional Credit Officers (reporting to Credit) for commercial
- Dedicated Special Assets team
- Eight of the top twelve credit leaders recruited post-crisis

**PROCESS** 

- Weekly Senior Credit Committee
- Continuous external loan review
- Monthly commercial asset quality review
- Monthly retail asset quality review meetings

POLICY

- Continuous review and enhancements to credit policy
- Quarterly reviews of portfolio limits and concentrations

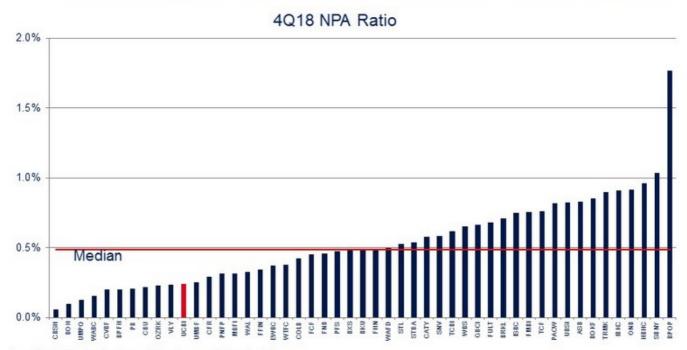


## Credit Quality

S in millions													
	1Q17			2Q17		3Q17			4Q17			1Q18	- 8
Net Charge-offs	\$ 1.7		\$	1.6		\$ 1.6		\$	1.1		\$	1.5	
as % of Average Loans	0.10	%		0.09	%	0.09	%		0.06	%		0.08	96
Allowance for Loan Losses	\$ 60.5		\$	59.5		\$ 58.6		S	58.9		\$	61.1	
as % of Total Loans	0.87	%		0.85	%	0.81	%		0.76	96		0.75	%
as % of NPLs	306			258		256			249			233	
Past Due Loans (30 - 89 Days)	0.23	%		0.23	%	0.28	%		0.28	%		0.20	%
Non-Performing Loans	\$ 19.8		\$	23.1		\$ 22.9		5	23.7		s	26.2	
OREO	5.1			2.7		2.8			3.2			2.7	
Total NPAs	24.9			25.8		25.7			26.9			28.9	16
Performing Classified Loans	108.8			91.7		100.5			117.2			111.4	
Total Classified Assets	\$ 133.7		\$	117.5		\$ 126.2		\$	144.1	8	\$	140.3	×
as % of Tier 1 / Allow ance	13	%		11	%	12	%		12	%		11	%
Accruing TDRs	\$ 64.9		s	64.7		\$ 59.6		S	52.6		\$	52.9	
Total NPAs													
as % of Total Assets	0.23	%		0.24	%	0.23	%		0.23	%		0.24	%
as % of Loans & OREO	0.36			0.37		0.36			0.35			0.35	



#### **Excellent Credit Performance & Management**



- ► Eight of the top twelve credit leaders recruited post-crisis
- Centralization of special assets
- Centralization of consumer loan underwriting and approval
- ▶ Changed commercial approval process, including a Senior Credit Committee for visibility and culture building
- Instituted highly-disciplined concentration management process
- Dedicated credit officers for all specialty businesses and community markets

Source: S&P Global Market Intelligence

Note - Peer comparison banks comprise the KBW Regional Bank Index (ticker:KRX)



### Market Share Growth Opportunities

\$ in billions

			United Commi	unity Banks,	Inc.	
	Market posits	osits	Community Banks	Offices	Deposit Share	Rank
North Georgia	\$ 7.6	\$ 2.6	9	19	33 %	1
Atlanta, Georgia	70.4	2.7	10	34	4	7
Gainesville, Georgia	3.5	0.4	1	5	11	4
Coastal Georgia	8.9	0.4	2	7	4	8
Eastem North Carolina	29.0	0.6	1	12	2	11
Western North Carolina	7.4	1.1	2	19	14	3
East Tennessee	17.6	0.5	2	9	3	7
Upstate South Carolina	24.9	1.2	4	24	5	7
Coastal South Carolina	22.4	0.5	2	14	3	12
Loan Production Offices	-	-	-	8		
Total Markets	\$ 191.7	\$ 10.0	33	151		

<sup>(1)</sup> United deposit share and United rank are as of June 30, 2017 for markets where United takes deposits (Source: FDIC). As such, United deposit share and United rank have been adjusted to include the Pro Forma effect of deposits acquired through the acquisitions of HCSB on July 31, 2017 and Four Oaks on November 1, 2017.





#### Acquisition of Four Oaks Fincorp, Inc.

#### **Transaction Overview**

- Closed November 1, 2017
- 90% stock (0.6178 shares of United) and 10% cash (\$1.90)
  - \$124 million transaction value (1)
- 177% P / TBV
- An excellent springboard to grow and attract top-quality bankers in the Raleigh market

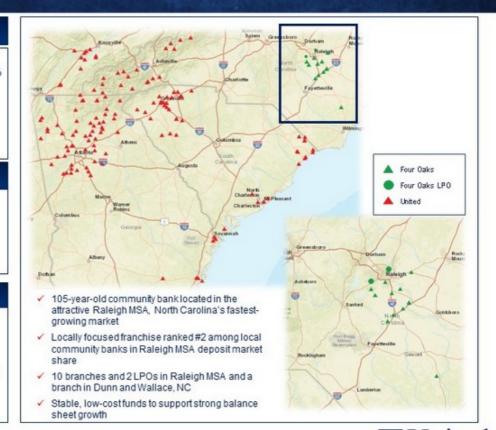
#### **Company Snapshot**

Assets: \$737 million
Loans: \$513 million
Deposits: \$560 million

NIM: 3.92%
Offices: 14

#### **Compelling Financial Returns**

- 4 cents, or 2%, accretive to fully diluted 2018 EPS, excluding one-time merger charges
- Less than 1% dilutive to tangible book value per share with an earn back of less than 3 years, excluding expected revenue synergies
- ✓ IRR: +20%





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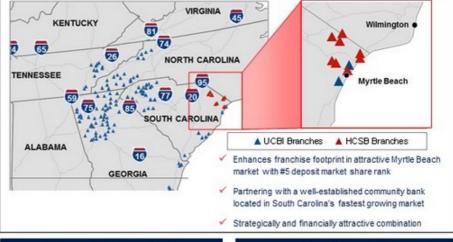
### Acquisition of HCSB Financial Corporation

#### **Transaction Overview**

- Closed July 31, 2017
- 100% stock (fixed exchange ratio 0.0050x shares)
  - \$66 million transaction value (1)
- 132% adjusted P / TBV ☼
- United recovered DTA and related tax benefits totaling approximately \$15.5 million

#### Company Snapshot

Assets: \$376 million
Loans: \$215 million
Deposits: \$313 million
Equity: \$35 million
Branches: 8



#### Top 5 Deposit Market Share in Myrtle Beach MSA Mkt. Deposits Share Branches (\$MM) Rank Bank (%) 1. BB&T 27 1.829 24.1 2. CNB Corp. 14 813 10.7 3. Wells Fargo 10 704 9.3 4. Bank of America 9 601 7.9 UCBI Pro Forma 10 452 5.9



#### **Compelling Financial Returns**

- 3 cents, or 2%, accretive to fully-diluted EPS, excluding one-time merger charges
- ✓ Accretive to tangible book value per share
- ✓ Neutral to Tier 1 Capital
- ✓ IRR: +20%

United COMMUNITY BANKS, INC

Source: S&P Global Market Intelligence

Based on United's closing price of \$26.70 per share on April 19, 2017
 Tangible book value adjusted for recovery of deferred tax asset

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#### **Experienced Proven Leadership**

- Over 40 years in banking
- Led company from \$42 million in assets in 1989 to \$12.3 billion today
- Trustee of Young Harris
- Georgia Power Company **Board Member**
- GA Economic Developers Association Spirit of Georgia Award recipient

Jimmy C. Tallent Chairman & CEO Joined 1984



- Over 30 years in banking
- Responsible for overall banking, credit and operations
- Former Consultant and Special Assistant to the CEO and EVP of Commercial Banking for TD Bank Financial Group; and President & CEO of The South Financial Group

H. Lynn Harton Board, President & COO Joined 2012



- Over 25 years in financial
- Responsible for finance and reporting, accounting, M&A and investor relations
- Former Associate Director of Research for Keefe, Bruvette and Woods
- Georgia State's J. Mack Robinson College of Business Advisory Board

Jefferson L. Harralson EVP & CFO Joined 2017



- Over 35 years in banking
- Responsible for 33 community banks with 151 banking offices
- Formerly of Riegel Textile Credit Union; President of Farmers and Merchants
- Former Georgia Board of Natural Resources Board Chairman

Bill M. Gilbert President, Community Banking Joined 2000



- Over 20 years experience in consumer and banking law
- Responsible for legal, enterprise risk management, and compliance
- Chairman of the Georgia Bankers Association Bank Counsel Section
- Member of the American Bankers Association Regional General Counsels

Bradley J. Miller EVP, CRO & General Counsel Joined 2007



- Over 25 years in banking
- Responsible for credit risk including credit underwriting, policy and special assets
- Former EVP & Executive Credit Officer for TD Bank. NA and Chief Credit Officer of The South Financial

Robert A. Edwards EVP & CCO Joined 2015



- Over 25 years in lending
- Responsible for commercial banking solutions
- · Former SBA head: TD Bank and Carolina First's SBA programs; President of UPS Capital Business Credit
- Highly decorated Commander in the U.S. Naval Reserve Intelligence Program (retired)

Richard W. Bradshaw President, Comm'l Banking Solutions Joined 2014



### Non-GAAP Reconciliation Tables

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	_	1Q17	_	2017		3Q17 (1)	_	4Q 17 (1)	_	1018	
Net Income						( )		1.7		(7	
Net income - GAAP Merger-related and other charges	\$	23,524	9	\$ 28,267 1,830	\$	27,946 3,420	S	(11,916) 7,358	\$	37,658 2,646	
Tax benefit on merger-related and other charges		(758)		(675)		(1,147)		(1, 165)		(628)	
Impairment of deferred tax asset on canceled nonqualified stock options Release of disproportionate tax effects lodged in OCI		3,400				-		38, 199		-	
Net income - Operating	S	28,220	5	29,422	S	30,219	S	32,476	S	39,676	
Diluted Earnings per share											
Diluted earnings per share - GAAP	\$	0.33	5	0.39	S	0.38	S	(0.16)	S	0.47	
Merger-related and other charges		0.01		0.02		0.03		0.08		0.03	
Impairment of deferred tax asset on canceled nonqualifed stock options		-		-		-		0.50		-	
Release of disproportionate tax effects lodged in OCI	_	0.05		-		-	_	-	_	-	
Diluted earnings per share - Operating	S	0.39	5	0.41	\$	0.41	\$	0.42	\$	0.50	
Return on Assets											
Return on assets - GAAP		0.89	%	1.06	96	1.01	%	(0.40)	%	1.26	%
Merger-related and other charges		0.05		0.04		0.08		0.20		0.07	
Impairment of deferred tax asset on canceled nonqualified stock options		-		-		-		1.30		-	
Release of disproportionate tax effects lodged in OCI	_	0.13		-		-		-	_	-	
Return on assets - Operating	_	1.07	%	1.10	%	1.09	%	1.10	%	1.33	%
Book Value per share											
Book Value per share - GAAP	\$	15.40	5	15.83	\$	16.50	S	16.67	\$	17.02	
Effect of goodwill and other intangibles		(2.10)	1	(2.09)	-	(2.39)		(3.02)	_	(4.06)	ý.
Tangible book value per share	S	13.30	5	13.74	\$	14.11	S	13.65	\$	12.96	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(1)</sup> Merger-related and other charges for 1Q18, 4Q17 and 3Q17 include \$592 thousand, \$517 thousand and \$244 thousand, respectively, of intangible amortization resulting from payments made to executives under their change of control agreements. The resulting intangible assets are being amortized over 12 to 24 months.



### Non-GAAP Reconciliation Tables

	1017		2017		3Q17		4Q17		1018	
		1000		-	(1)		(1)		(1)	-
Return on Tangible Common Equity				400			-			
Return on common equity - GAAP	8.54	96	9.98	96	9.22	96	(3.57)	96	11.11	В
Effect of merger-related and other charges	0.47		0.41		0.75		1.88		0.60	
Impairment of deferred tax asset on canceled nonqualified stock										
options							11.44			
Release of disproportionate tax effects lodged in OCI	1.24									
Return on common equity - Operating	10.25		10.39	17	9.97	100	9.73		11.71	-
Effect of goodwill and intangibles	1.85		1.80		1.96		2.20		3.55	
Return on tangible common equity - Operating	12.10	96	12.19	96	11.93	96	11.93	96	15.26	
Expens &										
Expenses - GAAP	\$ 62,826		\$ 63,229	5	65,674	S	75,882	S	73,475	
Merger-related and other charges	(2,054)		(1,830)		(3, 420)		(7.358)		(2,646)	
Expenses - Operating	\$ 60,772		\$ 61,399	5	62,254	S	68,524	S	70,829	-
Pre-Tax, Pre-Credit Earnings										
Pre-Tax Earnings - GAAP	\$ 42,002		\$ 44,804		43,674	S	42,354	S	48,406	۰
Merger-related and other charges	2,054		1,830		3,420		7,358		2.646	
Provision for credit losses	800		800		1.000		1.200		3.800	
Pre-Tax, Pre-Credit Earnings - Operating	\$ 44,856		\$ 47,434	\$	48,094	S	50,912	S	54,852	
Efficiency Ratio										
Efficiency Ratio - GAAP	59.29	96	57.89	96	59.27	96	63.03	96	57.83	١
Merger-related and other charges	(1.94)		(1.68)		(3.09)		(6.11)		(2.08)	í
Efficiency Ratio - Operating	57.35		56.21	04	56.18	04	56.92	0.6	55.75	_

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