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WASHINGTON FEDERAL INC Form 8-K October 19, 2016

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 19, 2016

Washington Federal, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Washington 001-34654 91-1661606 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

425 Pike Street, Seattle, Washington 98101

(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (206) 624-7930

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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):

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- o 240.14a-12)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant 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

On October 19, 2016, the Company announced by press release its earnings for the quarter and fiscal year ended September 30, 2016. A copy of the press release is attached to this filing as Exhibit 99.1. A copy of the September 30, 2016 Fact Sheet, which presents certain detailed financial information about the Company, is attached as Exhibit 99.2. This information is being furnished under Item 2.02 (Results of Operations and Financial Condition) of Form 8-K.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

A copy of the September 30, 2016 Fact Sheet, which presents certain detailed financial information about the Company is attached as Exhibit 99.2.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Not applicable
- (b) Not applicable
- (c) Not applicable
- (d) The following exhibits are being furnished herewith:
- 99.1 Press release dated October 19, 2016
- 99.2 Fact Sheet as of September 30, 2016

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

October 19, 2016

WASHINGTON FEDERAL, INC.

By: /s/ VINCENT L. BEATTY Vincent L. Beatty Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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