

Summary

The central topic of this thesis is how the members of the Brethren Church community in South Moravia experienced the functioning of their Church community during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Part 1 deals with the theoretical aspects. In chapter one the author presents the legislative context of the pandemic and its impact on the Christian Church community in general. The second chapter gives a brief insight into how the new law requirements were put into practice by the Church board. The third chapter presents an overview of the South Moravian community and the impact of the pandemic requirements on its community life.

The practical part focuses on qualitative research and attempts to capture the actual experience of members of the South Moravian community.

As a research method the Interpretative phenomenological analysis was chosen and based on semi-structured interviews with respondents covering the following topics: worship on the Zoom platform, monitoring of the community members in need and mutual care during the Covid-19 pandemic, especially during the second pandemic wave lockdown. The research sample consists of five respondents between 25-72 years of age.

Keywords

members of the Brethren Church, Covid-19 pandemic, experience, qualitative research, interpretative phenomenological analysis, interview

