

The aim of the thesis is to describe forms and the potential of social networks within a church community from the perspective of the inclusion. The thesis specifies what social networks are, how they relate to community, and how they can be explored. It deals with a local congregation as the main unit of a church and its specification in The Evangelical Church of Czech Brethren. It also describes various views of the inclusion.

The research part of the thesis depicts the process of entering a particular local congregation of The Evangelical Church of Czech Brethren. Using this example, the thesis categorizes different forms of inclusion including the biblical commandment of love, and captures the ever changing ways and powers of the social networks within a church as they attract and carry a person.