

## **Abstrakt EN**

Subject of this work is the Waldensian church. It is divided into a few chapters, in which I present the history, theology and structures of the Waldensian church from its beginning along the Middle Ages, Reformation, persecutions in 17<sup>th</sup> century, achievement of freedom and spreading through the new united Italian state up to the present. In the last chapter I intend to underline the continuity of Waldensians church's identity and its actuality for contemporary society and ecumenism.