



Gregory-Aland Lect. 1816
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Corrections to K-Liste description: dimensions

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Images:

Text (308) + Additional matter (2) + Spine & Color Chart (7) = 317 total images

Foliation corrections: foliated twice; follow the smaller number which is correct throughout.

Quires:

1.1–5 [short quire], 2.6–13, 3.14–21 [SQ], 4.22–29, 5.30–37, 6.38–45, 7[ζ].46–51, 8[η].52–59, 9[θ].60–67, 10[ι].68–75, 11[α].76–83, 12.84[ιβ].84–91, 13[γ].92–99, 14[δ].100–107, 15[.].108–115, 16[ις²].116–123, 17[ιζ].124–131, 18[η].132–139, 19[ιθ].140–147, 20[–].148–154 (incomplete).

¹ Because it lacks wood/leather/cloth covers, the MS has probably laid on its side for many years.

² In pencil.

Additional matter: 2 images

Front cover: 0 additional leaves + cover b = 1 images

Back cover: 0 additional leaves + cover a = 1 images

Spine, Cover, and Color Chart: 7 images (color chart on 1a)

Text: 154 leaves (308 images)

UV (MS pages, not ours): none

Specific Details:

Paper covers, separated from codex and each other. Spine separated too.
Trapezoid, with outside smaller than inside.

On several leaves, there are reinforcement strips cannibalized from other MSS. At least one is a printed text, written on paper. At least one is parchment, from Luke 1. A third is written on paper (see esp. 9b–10a).

1a: begins with John 1.28; probably a single leaf prior to this is missing.

2a–5b: reinforcing strips from another parchment MS (c. XII–XIII?). Some of the text (from 2a) reads as follows (though it is one column):

νεβ	αυ	—
εν	ασ	—
ἐγέ	ελ	έρ
μ	—	αφ
το	ιέ	μου
ήλ	μ	ελ

Part of this text seems to be from Luke 1.24–25. It is a double column MS and thus most likely a lectionary:

εν **Ε**λισαβετ η γυνη αυτου, κ
περικρυβεν εαυτην
μηνας πεντε, λεγουσα
οτι Ουτως μοι πεποιη-
κεν ο **κς** εν
ημερ**α**ις αις επειδ-
εν **α**φελειν το ονει-
δος **μου** εν ανθρωποις³

The following texts begin each line of the parchment strip (though it is one column):

³ There are some problems with this reconstruction however, most notably in line 3 and line 5.

λ	δό	ιω
τε	πε	άυ
νν	ο	έν
σαν	τώ	κ
τιε	το	δέ
ἔλ	ρί	α
κα	σα	ν
κ	ού	λ

The text seems to be **Luke 1.57–59**: Τη δε Ελισαβετ ἐπλήσθη ο χρόνος του τεκνειν αυτην, και εγεννησεν υιον. Και ηκουσαν οι περιοικοι και οι συγγενεις αυτης οτι εμεγαλωνεν κς το ελεος αυτου μετ αυτης, και συνεχαιρον αυτη. Και εγενετο εν τη ογδοη ημερα, ηλθον περιτεμειν το παιδιον· και εκαλουν αυτο επι τω ονοματι του πατρος αυτου Ζαχαριαν.⁴

Reconstructed according to the layout:

Τη δε Ελισαβετ ε-
 πλησθη ο χρόνος του τε-
 κνειν αυτην, και εγε-
 ννησεν υιον. Και ηκου-
 σαν οι περιοικοι και
 οι συγγενεις αυτης ο *[this line skipped]*
 τι εμεγαλωνεν κς το
 ελεος αυτου μετ αυτης,
 και συνεχαιρον αυτη.
 Και εγενετο εν τη ογ-
 δοη ημερα, ηλθον
 περιτεμειν το παιδι-
 ον· και εκαλουν αυτο επι
 τω ονοματι του πατρος αυ-
 του Ζαχαριαν.

4, 7, 9, 14–15:, 127 paper replacement leaves

29b–30a: ornate initial letters

51a: ornate headpiece for introduction to lections from Matthew

84a: ornate headpiece for introduction to lections from Luke

114a: ornate headpiece for introduction to lections from Mark

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⁴ There are still problems with this reconstruction, but it is possibly due to the lectionary breaks. Breaks (in letters): 16, 13, 15, 30, 13, 16, 15, 15, 11, 15, 17, 18. The conclusion seems to be that the scribe accidentally skipped a line, thus producing the anomalous 30-letter gap between two lines. Further, since these letters begin the lines they are on, it is imperative that they begin a syllable, which seems to be the case every time (since νν in εγεννησεν is considered the beginning of a syllable). The λ that is on the first line is the second letter in that line.